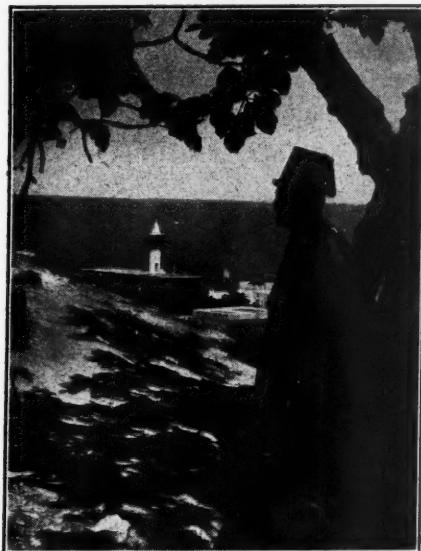


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Shadows Of Sidon



SIDON is a Mediterranean coast city of the Holy Land. In ancient times it was noted in connection with many Biblical events. The Apostle Paul paused there, while being held prisoner, on his way to Rome. In the above picture, a young man is seen standing on the ancient hill of the citadel, looking down upon a Mohammedan Mosque. Long ago, Sidon was the capital of the Phoenicians. Today, it is a lively little city. Its name means a fishery.

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A PROPHETIC VOICE "CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS"
GERALD B. WINROD, Editor

THE FIRST THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION BY THE NATION'S FIRST
PRESIDENT, 1789.



WHEREAS, it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor; and Whereas, both Houses of Congress have, by their joint committee, requested me "to recommend to the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favors of Almighty God, especially by affording them an opportunity peacefully to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness":

Now, therefore, I do recommend and assign Thursday, the 26th day of November next, to be devoted by the people of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being who is the beneficent author of the good that was, that is, or that will be; that we may then all unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this Country . . . to protect and guide all sovereigns and nations and to bless them with good governments, peace, and concord; to promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the increase of science among them and us; and, generally, to grant unto all mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as He alone knows to be best.

Given under my hand, at the city of New York, the third day of October, A. D. 1789.

G. Washington.

THE Pilgrims set apart a day of special thanksgiving at Plymouth immediately after their first harvest in 1621.

The Massachusetts Bay Colony observed the custom for the first time in the year 1630. Connecticut made it an annual event, starting with 1639. Other early groups adopted the same policy.

Through a special proclamation,

President Washington designated Thursday, November 26, 1789 as a day when all the people should prostrate themselves before God in humility and prayer. This is generally accepted as the first official Thanksgiving Day.

By 1858 similar proclamations were being issued, on different dates, by practically all the Governors of the States and Territories.

Abraham Lincoln appointed the last Thursday of November 1864, and each President has since followed his example.

Because of the present state of affairs existing throughout the world, Thanksgiving should mean more to the United States this year, 1936, than at any previous time since George Washington issued the first proclamation.

"Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set."

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Defenders' Song, "Faith of Our Fathers"

Defenders' Motto, "Back to the Bible"

France In Prophecy

By Rev. Gerald B. Winrod, D. D.

PROVISION is made for France in the prophecies of the end-time.

Being situated within the territory of old Rome, there can be no question but what it will be a part of the revived Empire anticipated in the prophetic Scriptures.

This means that the French people are destined to come under the jurisdiction of Antichrist, the great Caesar of the age-end.

Horns and Toes

Two succinct passages from the book of Daniel bear directly upon the resurrection of the Roman Empire:

(1) "The image's head was of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass. His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay."

In these few words, Daniel traced the history of the rise and fall of the great world empires between his day and the time when a theocracy will be set up, under the personal supervision of Jesus Christ.

The head was Babylon; breast, Medo-Persia; thighs, Greece; legs, Rome; feet, revived Rome.

(2) "After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns."

This word-picture of a hideous monstrosity was also written to portray the Roman Empire.

The ten horns of the head of the ferocious animal are identical with the ten toes of the image. Both point to that period of the world's history which we are now entering—the time when the Roman beast will come back to life.

We need only to read the daily newspapers and contemplate Mussolini's ambition of becoming Europe's modern Caesar, to realize that Daniel's prophecy is in process of fulfillment before our eyes.

Every new development from day to day, every political change in the Euro-

pean situation, is working toward the same end, namely the final reincarnation of the Roman beast-spirit among the governments of the continent.

When the drama reaches its climax, the entire area ruled by ancient Rome will be divided into ten divisions.

France will be one of the ten toes!

France will be one of the ten horns!

Referring to the Antichrist, who will then govern the restored Empire, Daniel said:

"I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn... and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things."

World War Predicted

Rev. Michael Baxter, the great English writer on prophetic subjects, said in the first of his "Forty Prophetic Wonders":

"This astounding geographical change of the existing twenty-two kingdoms or states within the territory of Caesar's original Roman Empire into Daniel's Ten Allied Kingdoms cannot be produced without extraordinary revolutions and wars. The very occurrence, therefore, probably between 1906 and 1919, of these great changes in the boundaries of nearly all the nations of Europe, will itself be a most notable sign."

Remember, these words were written in the year 1866. Mr. Baxter designated 1919 as the latest date when a violent upheaval would shake the foundations of Europe and revise the entire map of the continent. Confirming his prophecy, the World War ended late in the year 1918.

In other words, he anticipated many developments of the European struggle by more than sixty years.

To buttress his prognostications, Mr. Baxter continued: "Our Lord's great prophetic discourse upon the Mount of Olives a few days before His crucifixion, in reply to His disciples' question, 'What shall be the sign of thy coming and the end of the world?' predicts, as preliminary signs of the end, 'wars and rumours of wars, for nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. These are the beginnings

of sorrows'.

"The term 'end of the world' in this discourse signifies 'end of the age or dispensation', and not the material, physical earth, for the Greek word here translated *world* is *aion* (age), and not *ge* or *kosmos* (earth).

"This prophecy indicates that wars, rumours of wars, famines, pestilences, and earthquakes are to occur during the few years preceding the crisis of the end with unwonted frequency, and in so unusual a degree as to become a distinctly noticeable sign, attracting general attention.

"We must expect that, as the end approaches, wars will increase, and the state of society will more and more resemble what it was in the days of Noah and Lot, when extreme wickedness abounded, and the 'earth was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence', and the testimony of Noah, the preacher of righteousness, like that of Lot, was generally disbelieved."

A Prophecy Regarding France

In the third "Wonder" of his book, Mr. Baxter gave specific details regarding the future of the French nation. He said:

"France will push her frontier to the Rhine."

We witnessed the fulfillment of this prediction at the close of the World War when Alsace-Lorraine came back to France.

This narrow strip of territory has been the cockpit of many struggles between France and Germany. Geographically, it was a part of the old Roman Empire.

Germany, on the other hand, was not a part of Rome in the days of the Caesars. Therefore, in the coming alignment, the Germans will ultimately associate themselves with the nations of the east.

When Bismarck struck France in 1870, he crossed the Rhine and annexed Alsace and Lorraine to Germany. This violated prophecy for the reason just given, namely that Germany was not a part of the ancient Empire.

In the year 1880, Baxter published a new edition of the book he had written fourteen years earlier. Facing the

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ITEMS of INTEREST to DEFENDERS

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THE GREEN-EYED MONSTER called jealousy plays an important part in the ranks of Christian service. Unfortunately, allowance always needs to be made for its presence. When one leader is found attacking another, an analysis frequently shows jealousy to be the root motive.

DURING the last few days, press reports from Elko, Nevada have told of a heinous crime in which one Luther Jones killed three cattlemen, in cold blood. In his confession, Jones claimed to have been drunk at the time; he said: "Liquor is to blame for it all."

THREE striking quotations from Dr. Rembert G. Smith's new booklet flaying Socialism as it is developing in the Methodist denomination: "Kagawa's consumers' co-operative eggs are expected to hatch out Communist chickens... The bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church who are counted Socialistic are Bishops McConnell, Blake, Baker and Oxnam... What fellowship hath Methodism with Marxism? What fellowship hath light with darkness?" Dr. Smith is a faithful Methodist preacher.

DR. HARRY F. WARD, who promotes Communism under the label of Methodism, is encountering defiant opposition within the ranks of the denomination. As president of the Communist "League Against War and Fascism", Ward has gained the reputation of being one of the leading radicals of the Country. Using the name "Methodist Federation of Social Service", he has built up a large following among Methodist preachers through the dissemination of his pernicious doctrines.

CHARLES SMITH, head of the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism, says he became an atheist while attending a Methodist school—Epworth University of Oklahoma City. In the library, he claims to have found a copy of "Jefferson's (mutilated) Bible". Because Thomas Jefferson was his hero, he decided to abandon the Bible as a whole. With faith in the inspiration of the Scriptures destroyed, it was only a matter of time until Christian belief was com-

pletely gone. In compiling his "Bible", Jefferson eliminated almost everything except the words of Christ.

WHILE multitudes sit in a state of dumb complacency, the subverters are working night and day, tearing the foundations from beneath our established system of law and order. To the Editor's desk there comes a constant stream of literature, dealing with every phase of the Nation's life, written from the destructive viewpoint. This material is being circulated by the ton each passing month. Thus, the brains of millions of citizens are being poisoned and warped.

PHILADELPHIA'S "Americanization Committee" is making breath-taking exposures regarding the ramifications of Communism in the public schools of Pennsylvania. Mr. P. M. Allen, chairman, says: "Today, known radicals write the versions of American history that our children are studying... authors whose ill-concealed hatred for our form of government plant their seeds in the plastic minds of our young. Books and magazines advocating sedition, atheism, sex freedom, free love and all the isms of the Communists are put into the hands of youngsters in their teens."

MRS. W. A. BECKER, president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, advocates that every public school teacher should be required to take an oath of allegiance to the Constitution. She says: "No patriotic teacher should object to taking an oath of allegiance. It is an honor, not a reflection, upon character."

EARL BROWDER, Communist candidate, went to Terre Haute, Indiana to make a recent speech and was jailed by officials on a charge of vagrancy. When it was announced a few days later that he was returning to the city to speak over the radio, Governor Paul V. McNutt of Indiana defended him by saying: "I have always believed in the right of free speech and I can see no reason why an exception should be made in Browder's case." McNutt ignored the fact that Browder is an official representative of a foreign country which is trying to destroy the United States from within. He ignored the decision of the Supreme Court, handed down June 8, 1925, forbidding the use of free speech for the destruction of our form of government.

"**YOUNG** Communists In Action" is the title of a "handbook" recently published for the purpose of training young people in the art of fomenting revolutionary outbreaks. It begins with these words: "We Communists openly proclaim our aims. We tell the workers that under the leadership of the Communist Party and the Young Communists

ist League, capitalism will be OVER-THROWN and a government controlled by the workers and farmers put in its place." This is the system used in Russia where the people are *not* allowed to vote, worship God, own property, or exercise free press and free speech! This is the system which has placed the most powerful group of capitalists the world has ever known, in power at Moscow.

VICTOR E. MARSDEN represented the *London Post* in Russia at the time of the revolution. He later died from injuries received at the hands of the Bolsheviks. Prior to his death he published a document giving the name and nationality of every leader in the Soviet government. According to his list there were 545 officials, of whom 447 were Jews. An authoritative booklet has just been published in London, containing an article by Marsden, together with the list of names referred to above. (Price 25 cents; may be ordered from The Defender.)

ALMOST twenty years ago, Marsden wrote: "Lenin is a half-blooded Jew, that is to say the original Ulyanov who bore the name was so; but there is ground to believe that the present Lenin is personating that man who is dead, and that the actual Lenin of the Bolshevik business is what he looks, a full-blooded Jew."

INSTRUCTIONS were issued by Russia's Jewish rulers last month to launch an immediate naval building program. Credited with having the most powerful land and air forces in the world, the "internationalists" now purpose to be supreme on water. With this accomplished, they expect to conquer the world. *Pravda*, Moscow's government newspaper announced October 5th: "Under the leadership of the Communist party, the Soviet Union will be invulnerable alike from land, sea, and air."

ASSOCIATED with John L. Lewis, in his drive to split the American Federation of Labor, are such Jewish "intellectuals" as David Dubinsky, Max Zaritsky, Sydney Hillman, Leo Wolman, and others. Let Christians remember—the radical movement of the world is primarily a Jewish movement! (Dubinsky and Hillman are both Russian born Jews.)

FOLLOWING recent clashes between Fascists and Communists in the Jewish section of London, Alfred Duff Cooper, British Minister of War, said: "The majority of Englishmen have no faith or sympathy with red Communism or black Fascism. We resent deeply that supporters of alien doctrines are making London hideous to law-abiding citizens. Steps must be taken to see that order is observed in London."

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stubborn fact that the Germans had reached across the Rhine, he stood his ground with the following declaration:

"The Franco-Prussian war of 1870 seemed of course to contradict these expectations, as France was defeated by Prussia and had to surrender to Prussia both Alsace and Lorraine. Nevertheless, France before long will reverse that defeat and regain these provinces."

That defeat was reversed by the World War! The borders of France were again extended to the Rhine and, to this degree, the boundary line of the old Roman Empire was carved.

On January 8, 1918, Woodrow Wilson delivered a dramatic address before Congress in which he enunciated his famous "Fourteen Points" as a basis for bringing the war in Europe to an early close.

After emphasizing America's unselfish and altruistic attitude in becoming a party to the struggle, he listed his fourteen propositions one by one, while the world waited in breathless suspense. When he came to the eighth point, he touched Europe's eternal sore spot. Here is what he said:

"VIII. All French territory should be freed and the invaded portions restored; and the wrong done to France by Prussia in 1871 in the matter of Alsace-Lorraine, which has unsettled the peace of the world for nearly fifty years, should be righted, in order that peace may once more be made secure in the interest of all."

In making this demand that France be allowed to extend her borders to the Rhine, thus rebuilding the broken boundary of ancient Rome, little did America's war-time President know that he was moving in exact accord with those prophecies which deal with the nations of Europe!

Mr. Baxter explained further: "France will swallow up within her enlarged boundaries Belgium, part of Holland, Rhenish Prussia west of the Rhine, Luxembourg, Switzerland and such parts of Baden, Wurtemburg, and the lower part of Bavaria as may not be united to Austria.

"It is difficult to see how these events can happen except by a great victorious war of France against Germany, or else by tremendous revolutions in Germany, leading to the surrender of these countries to France.

"Moreover there must be a moving cause for France and the rest of the ten kingdoms inside the Roman Empire allying themselves together in a confederacy. Must not their alliance be for mutual protection against a common foe? And that foe must necessarily be in the main some powerful neighboring nation outside the Roman Empire, like Prussia and the North Ger-

man States or Russia. The most probable causes leading to the ten-kingdomed confederacy will therefore be a gigantic conflict between France and Germany, or a great war in connection with the Eastern Question."

Thus, with an uncanny degree of accuracy, Baxter prophesied the world conflict which finally started in 1914. And let us remember that he said it would come to an end before 1919.

Introducing Nostradamus

A man of extraordinary spiritual insight and prophetic intelligence lived in France during the first half of the sixteenth century.

Whether he was animated by the Holy Spirit or by a demon spirit, all students of the man and his prophecies agree that he wrote the history of his Country in advance.

His name was Michel Nostradamus. He was born December 13, 1503 and died July 2, 1566. He was beyond doubt the most famous man of his day.

Kings and queens, ~~leaders~~ and potentates, in fact leaders in every walk of life, sat at his feet. All Europe read his prophecies and witnessed their fulfillment in the lives of men and nations.

Nostradamus was a Jew, but he was also a Christian. From all indications his conversion to Christianity was both sincere and genuine. He lived an exemplary and unselfish life, before his fellowmen.

In the year 1555 he published a series of rhymed prophecies, under the title "Centuries". This book predicted many things that took place before his death, some things that have since occurred, and still other things that are yet to come to pass.

Nostradamus was to a great extent indebted to his grandfathers for the wisdom which he possessed. When he was yet a small boy, they began tutoring him, in what was at that time called, the "celestial sciences". These studies included mathematics, astronomy, astrology, geometry and medicine.

Both grandfathers were physicians, astrologers and Kobelists. They occupied positions in the court of the king and were constantly consulted by officials of the government. They professed to get their superior knowledge from the stars.

After the deaths of the two old men, young Michel embraced Christianity and began devoting his time to curing those who were suffering from the black plague—a loathsome disease which was taking the lives of thousands.

Becoming easily the most successful living physician, at the age of twenty-six, his fame soon spread throughout Europe. Later, he also became known as one who possessed "the gift of prophecy".

Burned Mysterious Books

Nostradamus was a wanderer most of his life. Traveling on the back of a mule, he went from place to place, astonishing everyone he met. In all the world there was not another man like him.

The people said he knew a "secret science" which enabled him "to peer into the future".

He claimed to be a member of the Hebrew tribe of Issachar.

One writer says: "From far and near many rich and notable persons came to Salon (where he lived late in life) to consult Doctor Nostradamus. The quiet town soon owed not a little of its prosperity to the numerous visitors coming to seek out its most remarkable citizen—so remarkable, that his rivals, other physicians, stigmatized him as a sorcerer. And that the accusation was not without some color was born out by the savant's form of living in the top story of his comfortable house, where he passed his days among great tomes in many tongues and certain strange instruments, such as astrolabes, magic mirrors, alembics, the philosopher's egg, a divining wand and other objects which the Catholic Church frowned upon.

"Yet he was a devout Catholic, a regular communicant and the friend of cardinals and popes. For aside from astrological calculation, as Nostradamus explained to his only pupil and biographer, Jean Aymes de Chavigny, one must be inspired by the prophetic spirit, 'which is the gift of Providence'. In brief, he was endowed, as one investigator puts it, with an especial gift, a sixth sense, in his case, hereditary and innate."

Prior to the death of his grandparents, they bequeathed to Nostradamus

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certain ancient and secret books which the Hebrews were said to have brought out of Egypt at the time of the exodus. According to tradition, these documents had been transmitted for centuries from father to son, always within the tribe of Issachar.

Moura and Louvet, the most recent biographers of Nostradamus, ask what the Children of Israel took from the Egyptians besides gold and silver, at the time of their hurried departure. Then these writers undertake to answer the question by saying:

"They could not have failed to possess themselves of all possible documents from the initiation chambers of the Egyptian temples, all the geometric, cosmographic and algebraic formulae subsequently used in the Torah and in the construction of the Temple of Solomon. Then, one day, the Romans destroyed the Temple of Jerusalem. The Jews were dispersed. Before the Temple was demolished, however, the documents had disappeared. When the Holy of Holies was entered, it was empty."

Nostradamus says he committed the contents of certain ancient Egyptian and Persian books to memory after which he burned them. He described these writings as being "volumes which had been hidden during long centuries."

His biographers insist that he explored the law of gravitation prior to Newton, and anticipated many other scientific discoveries which did not come to light until centuries later.

Ambiguous Language

Nostradamus used involved language to clothe his prophecies.

In the first place, he dealt with so many subjects that had to do with current affairs of his generation, that it would not have been safe to state his findings in plain language.

To have done so, would have repeatedly exposed him to the charge of treason.

In spite of the ambiguous terms in which his prophecies were couched, he was frequently despised when adverse conditions, that he had prophesied, would come to pass. On such occasions, his life was often threatened.

They blamed him for the fulfillment of his prophecies.

Therefore, in dedicating his "Centuries" to King Henry II, we find him

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saying "that the danger of the times, O Most Serene Majesty, requires that such hidden events be not manifested save by enigmatic speech; . . . did I so desire, I could fix the time for every quatrain, . . . but that it might to some be disagreeable."

Thus in announcing to the coming of Napoleon, we find him saying: "Of the name that a French King never was; There was never a lightning so much feared; Italy shall tremble, Spain and the English; He shall be much taken by women strangers."

Seventy-five years in advance, Nostradamus announced the coming of Pope Innocent X as follows: "When Innocent shall hold the place of Peter; The Sicilian Nizaram shall see himself; In great honors, but after that shall fall; Into the dirt of civil war."

Here is the interpretation of this bit of prose: A man named Innocent became the Catholic Pope three quarters of a century later; this Pope was born in Sicily; he attained great honors; he went down through the civil war of the Fronde.

One day while wandering through Italy, Nostradamus came upon a small boy, wearing dirty garments, in a little village. Dismounting from his beast, the strange prophet knelt in front of the child to pay him homage.

The ridiculousness of the sight puzzled and amused the scholars who were traveling with him. "Why this act of honor and preferment to this humble urchin?" they asked.

Nostradamus replied: "Because I must bow and kneel before his holiness." *Growing to manhood, that boy became first the Cardinal of Montalto and later Pope Sixtus V.*

Other Prophecies

King Henry II occupied the throne of France during a part of Nostradamus' life time. The tragic death of this ruler was described in a verse of "Centuries" by use of the following metaphor:

"The young lion will conquer the old one upon the field of combat. He will pierce his eyes in a golden cage, who will then die a dreadful death."

A noted interpreter of these prophecies explains this mysterious passage as follows:

"In July 1559, King Henry celebrated the marriage of his sister Margaret of France to the Duke of Savoy, and as part of the festivities held a magnificent tournament. Henry, no mean protagonist in combat, graciously invited one of his guests, the young Earl of Montgomery, of the Scots Guard, to cross lances with him in the tourney. The young north Briton modestly declined this too great and too dangerous

honor. The King, however, insisted and in the heat of the tilting the Earl's lance pierced the golden visor of his opponent's helmet, entered his right eye, and Henry II died soon thereafter a horribly painful death."

Several predictions dealing with England's future are to be found in "Centuries". This one is particularly striking: "The great empire of England; Will be all powerful for more than three centuries; Great armies, or great wealth, will traverse land and sea; The Portuguese will not rejoice thereat."

When this prophecy was penned, England was a comparatively small power among the nations of Europe. There was at that time no visible means for its fulfillment. But, in 1588, more than a score of years after the death of Nostradamus, the English dashed the Spanish Armada to pieces. Thereupon, the nation began expanding in all directions. The Portuguese, and Spaniards, did not rejoice at this development. It meant, for one thing, the breaking of Portuguese control over India.

The French revolution was clearly foretold in the writings of Nostradamus.

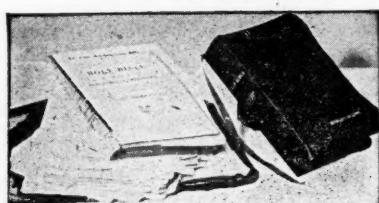
"Centuries" Number 9, Sections 20 and 34, describe the attempt of King Louis XVI and his queen to escape across the border at Varennes; their capture and return to Paris; the mass demonstration of the Jacobin rioters on June 20, 1792; the placing of the red cap of the Jacobins on the King's head in mockery; the final assassination of Louis, and the destruction of his throne.

Another astounding prophecy regarding the French Revolution was made by a Christian leader named Beauregard, fourteen years before the storm broke. Standing in Notre Dame Cathedral of Paris, and closing his eyes as though seeing a vision, he uttered the following prophetic words:

"Yes, Lord, Thy temple will be plundered and devastated, Thy festivals will be abolished, Thy name blasphemed, Thy service proscribed. But what do I hear, great God, what do I see? Instead of hymns in Thy praise, O Lord, with which this sacred roof resounded, profane licentious songs are sung. And you, infamous goddess of paganism, abandoned Venus, you have the audacity to enter here, to usurp the place of the living God, seat thyself on the throne of the Holiest of the Holy, and receive the blasphemous idolatry of thy true worshippers!"

Beauregard, like all other citizens of

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France, was in position to know that a revolution was coming. But a knowledge of such amazing details as he described, could have been possible only through special, spiritual illumination.

Everything that he outlined in advance actually took place, including the worship of the Goddess of Reason, in Notre Dame. Beauregard could have known that a catastrophe was approaching, but through human wisdom alone he could not have known that the famous Cathedral would be profaned by the presence of a sensual woman who would be worshipped.

Flames Over Paris

"Centuries" Number 10, Section 72, announced that the city of Paris was destined to be bathed in flame at a time far distant from the date when Nostradamus lived. It says that "a terrible king or leader will assault and invade Paris *'du ciel'* — from the sky."

The writer could hardly have been expected to know about modern air raids, except by supernatural revelation. And yet, we find him insisting that the city of Paris is to be practically wiped out by fire "FROM THE SKY!"

Two quotations will suffice: "A driving great flame will leap and scatter everywhere"; "Then they will be unable to extinguish the great flame."

An authority who has made a careful study of a wide range of prophetic subjects, says in a new book just published: "No less than thirty-five prophecies concerning the destruction of Paris have been catalogued and all of these are unanimous in giving conflagration, in the course of a war, as the cause."

The advent of the airplane has revolutionized strategy in future warfare. The *Independent Journal* of Columbia University recently published an article designed to prove that fire, not gas, will be the obliterating agent of the next war.

We are told that the real danger for large cities, will be conflagration caused by incendiary bombs. The French claim that when the World War ended, it was discovered that the next attack of the Germans was to have been the raining of waves of flame upon both Paris and London.

An examination of the bombs that were ready for use showed that they only weighed a little more than two pounds, and contained thermite which would ignite upon striking, and produce a small but intensely hot blaze.

These bombs, found stored in German ammunition depots, in enormous quantities, were not ready for distribution until late in August 1918, but by that time the situation had become so hopeless that the high command decided not to use them.

They believed that peace terms would be made more difficult if the two capitals were left in ruins.

This is the story told by the journal of Columbia University.

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Considering the tons of gas required to produce lethal concentrations, the small size of incendiary bombs would appear ridiculous. However, each small bomb holds great devastating possibilities because fire propagates, whereas gas dissipates.

It is this difference which makes the incendiary bomb far more dangerous to a large city than gas bombs.

The thermite in such bombs contains a mixture of iron ore and powdered aluminum. Upon heating this mixture, there is produced a violent noiseless reaction which causes the iron to flow out as an incandescent liquid, at a temperature of about 5400 degrees F. This is hotter than molten metal from a blast furnace.

Such small bombs are expected to be of particular value in airplane raiding because they do not have to be aimed, but may be scattered over the general area attacked.

It is estimated if only ten two-ton planes broke through defense lines and only one effective hit was made in a city, out of one hundred bombs, no less than two hundred fires would be started in a few minutes at widely separated points.

What two hundred simultaneous fires would mean may be illustrated by considering one single New York fire which occurred in 1932. Despite the fact that the best trained fire department in the world fought this fire, it could not be confined to the Cunard pier.

Firemen maintain that the first five minutes, are worth the next five hours, in a fire.

The silence with which thermite bombs do their deadly work constitutes an added danger. Fire burns silently.

The nations of Europe are all preparing for "fire raids" in the next war. *The prophecy of Nostradamus, about fire being rained upon Paris, was meaningless in his day. But now it is understandable.*

Such a tragedy is a decided probability, in bringing about the realignment of nations required, in paving the way for the coming of Antichrist.

Early Change Expected

It is the consensus of best opinion that France is now on the verge of another revolution. There have been ominous developments since Leon Blum's Communist regime came into power.

For some reason France has always been the center from which secret plotters have worked in carrying out their program of destructionism. Paris has been, for centuries, the main base of these international operations.

Only last month, Blum stood before the League of Nations Assembly at Geneva and praised the French Revolution. He virtually admitted that it was his purpose to help carry out a similar program, on a world-wide scale, for our day and generation.

He said: "The principles evolved by the French Revolution of 1789 have spread over the entire world."

It is a well known fact that the Russian Revolution began eighteen years ago where the French Revolution ended! Both catastrophes resulted from the sinister efforts of the same age-old, self-propagating, occult, secret order.

At this point, I shall quote from a document of great importance, issued by the last session of Congress. This comprises part of a report submitted to the government by Mr. George E. Sullivan, a Christian lawyer of Washington, D. C.:

"So-called modern Communism is apparently the same hypocritical and deadly world conspiracy to destroy civilization that was founded by the secret order of the Illuminati in Bavaria on May 1, 1776, and that raised its hoary head in our original Colonies here at critical periods before the adoption of our Federal Constitution.

"The world revolution conspiracy appears to have been so well organized as to be ever continuing, and ever on the alert to take advantage of every opportunity presenting itself or that the conspirators could create. It is significant, in this connection, that as early as 1783, when unsettled conditions and dissatisfaction in some quarters had arisen in the American Colonies, a sub-

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versive anonymous summons was circulated among the Colonial Army to incite dissatisfaction and rebellion. George Washington immediately called the Army together and in addressing them, used this significant language:

"My God, what can this writer have in view by recommending such measures. Can he be a friend to the army? Can he be a friend of this country? Rather is he not an insidious foe; some emissary, perhaps, from New York, plotting the ruin of both, by sowing the seeds of discord and separation between the civil and military powers of the continent? And what a compliment does he pay to our understanding, when he recommends measures, in either alternative, impracticable in their nature!"

"It is plain that Washington believed the then center of this secret conspiracy, so far as this country was concerned, to be located in New York, and felt it to be his duty to make such direct allusion. Whether the center of such conspiracy, so far as this country is concerned, has continued to use New York as its base up to the present time, it is very apparent that in recent times New York has held, and is now holding, the center of the stage for Communistic activities in this country. In fact, most of the present-day literature in favor of Communism appears to emanate from New York, the place of publication of the *Daily Worker*, which paper describes itself as the 'central organ Communist Party, United States of America.'

"The recognition of May 1, 1776, as the founding date of this world revolution conspiracy is not difficult to understand, when it is realized that May Day is frequently celebrated, even in recent times, by rioting and bloodshed on a world-wide scale.

"It was not until 1847 or 1848, that the Communist conspirators, who had theretofore operated in secret, came out in the open with the Manifesto of the Communist Party, by Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, boldly proclaiming against practically everything upon which civilization is based—God, religion, the family, individual liberty, and so forth

"The Communist conspirators thereupon conceived the plan, for the future, of supplementing the long-established secret conspiracy, in existence since May 1, 1776, with an unremitting public campaign for victims among the ignorant in all nations. And, in an attempt to hide from view the underlying hypocritical conspiracy existing since May 1, 1776, it was decided that, in such public campaign, the manifesto of 1848 should be heralded as the founding date of communism, and Karl Marx falsely proclaimed as its author."

The European base of the Illuminati was Paris. It was there that the underground plot was started which has since swept the world.

Modern Jacobinism

Thus we discover that the roots of Communism reach far back, into the occult lodge rooms of the old Illuminati.

Beginning in France, these subversive influences have now circled the

globe. Therefore, it is not surprising to find the present French government, under Blum, being directed from Moscow.

It is this development which alarms Hitler and Mussolini because of their fear of all Europe turning Bolshevik.

Out of the Illuminati came the mysterious and powerful Jacobin Clubs of the French Revolution. Today, we are witnessing the operation of "Jacobinism" on an international scale.

The Communist *Daily Worker* contains the following report of a recent speech delivered by George Dimitroff, a leader of the Third International, in Paris:

"Dimitroff called upon the French Communists to follow THE TRADITION OF THE JACOBINS, leaders of the Great French Revolution of 1789-1793, of the revolutionists of 1848 and of the Paris Commune. He stated that the working class of the whole world were anxiously and carefully following the successes of the French Communist Party in achieving the united front and trade union unity.

"Dimitroff closed his message with the words: 'Long live the French Communist Party, one of the best sections of the Communist International!'

Associated Press reports of the last few days also tell of the secret presence of Litvinoff in Paris, where he is said to be working with the Communist leaders of the French government, helping prepare the nations of Europe for a blood bath.

Prophetic Deductions

Prophetically we know that the present alignment between Paris and Moscow can not be permanent.

The French people will soon break the Red shackles which have been forged upon them by the internationalists. They will follow in the path of Italy, Germany and Spain. But in doing so, violent civil convulsions will be experienced. Much blood will flow!

And out of the welter, a Fascist dictatorship will finally evolve.

Fascism is the spirit of the Roman beast. Since France was situated within the bounds of ancient Rome, she will eventually come under the black banner of Fascism.

In fact, as these words are being written, the French Fascists are preparing for the inevitable revolution which they believe necessary to save their Country from the Red octopus of Bolshevism.

On the other hand, Germany's present cooperation with Italy is destined to be temporary for the reason that she must ultimately become affiliated with the great Northern Confederacy—according to Ezekiel 38 and several other prophetic portions of Scripture.

Many crimes against the Cause of Jesus Christ and civilization have been hatched out on French soil.

Judgment is therefore certain!

In the consummation of the age, France will come under the wing of the Antichrist, with a puppet dictator ruling the nation.

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How The Christ-Haters Win

By Gerald B. Winrod

A GREAT tumult shall be among them; and they shall lay hold every one on the hand of his neighbor, and his hand shall rise up against the hand of his neighbor." Zech. 14:13.

These prophetic words exactly fit the present revolutionary condition which is sweeping the world.

In Spain, for instance, thousands of citizens are literally lunging at the throat of one another. Bitterness, of this kind, between individuals, results from the generating of *class hatreds* on the part of a ring of underground Communistic conspirators. "Neighbor . . . shall rise up against . . . neighbor."

By this means, nations exhaust themselves through inner convulsions. Thus, a revolutionary spirit is now sweeping the world.

Before good people realize what is happening, the foundations of orderly government are dynamited from under their feet. A subterranean fire is

The dangerous Communist is not the fellow who stands on a street corner delivering a soap-box oration. That poor man doesn't know what it's all about! Somebody simply gave him a dollar and put the words in his mouth.

The dangerous Communist is higher up!

The dangerous Communist is the one who sits in a swivel chair, at the head of an international Jewish banking concern, and underwrites the expenses of red revolutions in various parts of the world.

The dangerous Communist is the radical professor who occupies a chair in a higher institution of learning, and warps the dreamy, plastic brains of young men and women, thus making them unfit for good citizenship.

The dangerous Communist is the Jewish intellectual who acquires a powerful position in a labor organization and misuses that power to stir up hatred and bitterness between laboring groups.

The dangerous Communist is the one who has a position in the official circles of Washington and writes Socialistic legislation to be rubber-stamped by a browbeaten Congress and Senate.

To find the true cause of Communism we must look higher than the man in the street who throws the bomb.

The great civil war which broke out in Spain three months ago, came as a logical result of years of planning on the part of the international subverters of New York, Paris and Moscow.

In order to understand the Satanic genius behind disorders of this kind, one must bear in mind that all Communism is rooted in Jewish Capitalism and Jewish Intellectualism.

The Gentile nations are indebted to a ring of international Jews, who have access to the arteries of world finance, for their present plight.

Reds in Germany

This history of Germany's experience with Communism, prior to the rise of Hitler, parallels in many respects with that of Spain during the last few weeks.

Back in December 1918, the revolutionary cause was so well advanced among the Germans, that the Spartakus League could issue the following instructions to its followers:

"Arise, proletarians, and fight! You have a world to conquer and contend with. In this class struggle in the world's history, your motto must be: 'Thumbs on their eyes and knees on their breast'!"

Thereupon, a flood of anarchy swept the nation.

By April 1919, the Red leaders were able to inaugurate, on German soil, what they called a "Soviet Republic", with headquarters in the city of Munich. They also established both a

"Red Army" and a "Red Tribunal", directed from Moscow.

At that time, the Communists of Germany were operating under the title of "Spartakists" — thereby appropriating the lodge name of Adam Weishaupt who had organized the Jewish Illuminati of Europe 150 years before.

In 1848 Karl Marx, another Jew, revamped the teachings of Weishaupt and incorporated them into his "First Communist Manifesto." From the time of Marx, down to the present hour, the Red Menace has been directed by Jewish minds.

Killed Helpless Victims

The Spartakists were directed by two Jews and one Jewess — Hugo Haase, Karl Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg.

Another Jew called Joffe, was serving as Soviet Ambassador in Berlin at that time. He worked openly with the Spartakists, for the destruction of morals, religion and government among the Germans.

On November 5, 1918, Joffe brazenly announced that he had turned over ten million Russian roubles to Dr. Oskar Cohn for propaganda purposes. Cohn, a Jew, was then a member of the German Reichstag.



Karl Radek

He brought terror to Germany.

started below the surface. The flames eventually reach visibility and law abiding citizens are taken unaware.

In this manner, an organized minority of revolutionists are able to hurl a whole nation into an inferno.

Workers of Iniquity

Spain offers a tragic example of how these forces work. For several years, organized plotters, directed from Moscow, have been feeding the flames of class hatred among the Spaniards. When the point of saturation was finally reached, approximately a million human beings were slaughtered.

THE CAUSE OF WORLD REVOLUTION IS MUCH FURTHER ADVANCED TODAY, IN THE UNITED STATES, THAN IT WAS IN SPAIN THREE YEARS AGO.



Bela Kun

He brought terror to France.

It was under these circumstances that the notorious criminal Karl Radek, whose real Jewish name is Sobelson, arrived from Moscow to take charge of things and put the "finishing touches" on the German revolution.

A reign of terror was instantly released. It culminated five months later in Munich, with the establishment of the so-called "Soviet Republic".

Associated with Radek in this venture were the following Jewish writers — Levien, Levine-Nissen, Muhsam, Toller and Landauer.

As a part of their program of striking fear to the hearts of the people, their first official act, was to go out on the streets of Munich and arrest ten innocent Gentiles whom they took into a stone structure and shot down

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in cold blood. This cruel and inhuman deed frightened thousands of people into subjection.

Rivers of German blood was caused to flow before the power of these human "vipers" could be broken.

Human Vipers

Is it any wonder that our Lord called the rebellious leaders of this race "generation of vipers", "ye fools and blind", "ye serpents", "whited sepulchres", "of your father the devil" etc?

From the shadow of the cross, the Jews cried out: "His blood be on us, and on our children."

Like a serpent crawling through the centuries, there has been a succession of apostate Jewish leaders who have shown a venomous attitude toward Christ and His cause in the world. Millions have been taught to spit when His name is mentioned.

Members of the race who profess conversion and accept Jesus as their Saviour and Messiah are subjected to the most vicious treatment imaginable.

Communism is the fruition of this hatred!

For this cause, multitudes of Christians have been slaughtered in Soviet Russia during the last eighteen years.

For this cause, the Christians of Spain are today being treated worse than dogs.

For this cause, Communistic bitterness toward the Church of Jesus Christ is increasing daily, in the United States.

When the Apostle Paul turned his back upon the Jews who were persecuting him and came west with the Gospel, Christianity ceased to be a Semitic religion. From that hour, it exercised a tremendous appeal to the Gentile mind.

Fierce animosity, originating in the soul of rebellious Jewry, asserts itself by fomenting class hatreds among Gentiles, through the instrument of international Communism. By this means, the apostates are able to vent their deep, subconscious spleen upon Jesus Christ and His program as reflected in their Gentile environment.

It is to be questioned if the Communist leaders themselves, understand the inner forces which surge through their depraved souls. It is to be questioned if they understand fully, that the suffering and misery which they are producing on the earth, and which to them is so sweet and satisfying, serves merely to quench their blood-thirsty desire for what they know to be revenge!

Revenge! Revenge! — against the Son of God, Whom they call a bastard! Revenge! — against Him, by smiting

AN ERRONEOUS ADVERTISEMENT

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Spain's Sorrow

As Karl Radek was sent to Berlin for the purpose of drenching Germany in blood back in 1918, Bela Kun was sent to Spain several weeks ago, to do the same thing.

No sooner had the Communists gained control of the Spanish government than Kun arrived on the scenes, from Moscow, to open the flood-gates of mob violence and civil war.

The real Jewish name of this human monster is Cohen. He is the man who put across the same kind of a "political front" in Hungary a few years ago which the Jew, Leon Blum, has recently shackled upon the French people.

Before Bela Kun finished his Hungarian venture, thousands of Gentiles were slain. A similar fate awaits France!

There was incendiarism, strikes, riots, shootings, bombings and other forms of violence from the day that Kun reached Spain. The misery of the Spanish people, therefore, called the Fascist rebel program into existence in order to break the chains which Moscow had forged upon them.

No matter who wins in Spain, France, Germany, Italy, Hungary, and other countries where Communism and Fascism have come to grips — the internationalists may well consider themselves conquerors for the reason that they have inflicted wounds upon the Son of God and His followers whom they despise with an undying hatred.

They are natural born destroyers. They are destructionists. Concerning them, Christ said: "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it." John 8:44.

Reports from Spain

The *Daily Mail*, published in London, is one of England's most conservative newspapers. It is famous for its careful discrimination in publishing only factual news dispatches.

The following statement appeared in a recent issue of the *Mail*. An editorial comment preceding the report says that this information was received from "unimpeachable sources". The editor says:

"Unbelievable atrocities and sacrilege are being committed by Reds in Spain. This evidence is fully documented. The names of informants are omitted to avoid endangering the lives of the people concerned, or relatives, still under the power of the Reds."

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Refused to Blaspheme

Five eye-witnesses signed the following in the presence of the Portuguese Consul in Badajoz on August 25:

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They were treated with such insults and violence that three of them had to receive medical treatment.

Shortly afterwards, these three were made to go out of the prison, and with them Jose Visedo Alvarez, Felipe Ceballos Solis, Father Victor Siluaran, Father Constantino Garcia, Juan Garcia Fernandez, Francisco Corredora Vaca, Diego Hernandez Prieto, and were shot in the public square.

The three priests and Manuel Casimiro Morgado were tortured to make them blaspheme, and when they refused they were shot.

Many Slaughtered and Burned

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their purpose is to destroy our government. They openly defy our government, and even go to jail rather than give up agitating for its overthrow by force and violence."

But during the past years, all this has changed. NO LONGER ARE THE COMMUNISTS EITHER HONEST IN THE PROFESSION OF THEIR AIMS OR OPEN IN THEIR PROSECUTION OF THEM. *The reds have gone yellow!*

Eugene Debs, the noted American Red leader, who went to prison rather than stop expressing his anti-American convictions, must stir in his grave as Earl Browder and the other present-day leaders of radicalism pose, cowardly and hypocritically, as "friends of democracy" and believers in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution, which all real Communists have always looked upon as "charters of capitalist exploiters."

Change in Tactics

Why, even the mildly Marxist Professor Charles A. Beard has written books to prove that the Constitution was framed by men of wealth and property to protect them in the possession of their ill-gotten gains!

Every good Marxist historian claims that the American War for Independence was fomented by the "commercial interests" which wanted to be "free" from the interferences of the English government with their plans for exploiting the American continent."

The War for Independence was a war for "economic freedom" — freedom of the Colonial capitalists to exploit a new continent. Communists have always believed that, and they have always hated the "capitalist government" which grew out of the American War for Independence.

Lenin despised everything about the American government. He claimed that our government, founded upon the principles of the Declaration of Independence later embodied in the Constitution, is the most ruthless creation of "brutal capitalism."

He claimed that our Revolutionary War resulted in the establishment of the worst form of "capitalist" government ever "spawned upon earth." And his "pickled" corpse in Moscow must twitch with nausea as Earl Browder deceitfully avers that the Communists in 1936 are the "inheritors" of the "American revolutionary tradition!"

Lenin claimed that "the spirit of greedy capitalism" was the moving force of the American revolution. And yet his apostate follower, Earl Browder, tries to deceive Lenin's disciples in America with the ridiculous claim that the "coming American revolution" — the coming Communist revolution — is driven by the same force which produced our first revolution.

Falsehoods Exposed

The War for Independence — our "revolutionary tradition" — was born of a passionate love for democracy. And every good Communist has a passionate and unholly hatred of democracy! His aim is to destroy democ-

racy and set up a dictatorship of the proletariat.

Our War for Independence was fought, above all else, for the establishment and protection of individual rights and liberties. But every Communist revolution is fought to destroy individual rights and liberties. Every Communist revolution aims at the destruction of individualism and the establishment of "collectivism."

Our War for Independence was fought to insure to all Americans the right to worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences. And every Communist revolution is featured by the burning of the very houses of worship of the people and the denial to them of the right to worship God as conscience dictates.

Our Revolutionary War was fought to safeguard the property of the Colonists against the confiscatory taxes unjustly levied by the British Parliament. But every Communist revolution is fought to take away from the people the right to own private property.

IN A WORD, OUR REVOLUTION

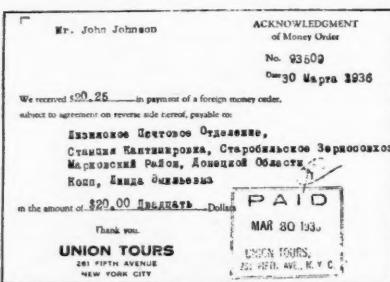
WAS FOUGHT TO ESTABLISH AND TO PROTECT THE VERY INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS AND THE VERY FORM OF DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT WHICH EVERY COMMUNIST REVOLUTION AIMS TO DESTROY.

Our "revolutionary tradition" embodies a recognition of the God-given individual rights of man and a determination that they shall be preserved and guaranteed to every American citizen. It is only because our revolutionary tradition is so strong that America is a free nation today. It is our Revolutionary tradition which has caused us to resist every past effort to destroy our Constitutional form of government.

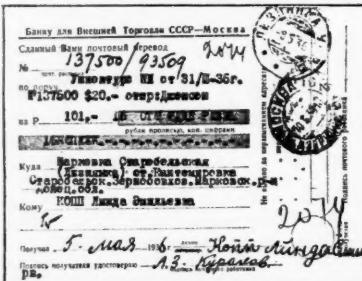
Yes, it is our revolutionary tradition — the tradition of free men who are willing to fight to keep America free from Communist regimentation — which is responsible for the fact that Earl Browder recently was pelted with over-ripe vegetables and hen fruit when he endeavored to enter a radio station in Terre Haute, Indiana, to agitate for Communist enslavement of free Americans.

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Followers of Satan

The attempts of Browder and the other Red leaders to portray themselves as "inheritors of the American revolutionary tradition", their efforts to demonstrate that Communism and Americanism have much in common, are so absurd and fantastic that we are apt to overlook the deadly character of the kind of deceit they are practicing.

Like Satan himself, who appeals to men in the attire of an "angel of light", the Communists are donning the pink camouflages of "American liberalism", *the better to deceive and mislead us with*.

Gone are the days when Communism was presented to the American people in all its naked hideousness. Gone are the days when Communists honestly and openly told us they intended to destroy our constitutional form of government, demolish our homes, and despoil our churches.

Today the Communists do not stand outside our churches and revile the God who dwells within them. No, today, the Communists — posing as "Friends of Peace" — stand in the pulpits of scores of modernist churches and in God's own house cunningly deceive and mislead His children.

The Communists today do not throw bombs at government officials. They do not conspire to assassinate our President. No, they worm their way into his confidence, they pose as "friends of labor".

They sneak into a seat at the President's council table; and from that point of vantage, they slyly and cunningly endeavor to influence the administration of the American government along the road which leads to destruction.

The leopard does not change his spots. And the Communist does not, cannot, and HAS NOT changed the final objective of his program. The Communist, who stands in Christian pulpits and hypocritically pleads for "peace", does not renounce the "class war", does not deny that Communism aims at bloody revolution.

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In the sacred name of "free speech", the Communists plead with Americans to be "liberal" enough to permit agitators to advocate the overthrow of the government by force and violence.

Yet, no Communist has ever denied that after the Russian government was overthrown free speech was abolished. No Communist has ever criticized the abolition of free speech by the Moscow Communists.

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that a Soviet America can never come through the ballot box; IT MUST BE ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED BY FORCE.

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Communists demand that they be guaranteed the right to use free speech for the purpose of destroying the American constitutional guarantee of free speech.

Communists demand that they be permitted to use American freedom to destroy freedom for all Americans. They demand the "freedom" to convert America into a Soviet prison in which they will lock up the rest of us, denying us all freedom whatsoever.

In a word, they demand the "freedom" to enslave their fellow man. They demand the "liberty" to destroy other men's liberty. They demand the "liberty" to become the regiments and jailers of free men.

Hypocritical Pretenses

It is a notorious fact that in many states, notably California, Communists have changed their party affiliations from Communist to Democratic. They are boldly setting out to use the processes of democracy to destroy democracy and build upon its ruins, a Soviet system.

With hypocritical pretenses of benefiting the poor and the "underprivileged", communists are advocating confiscatory taxes upon private property. They plan to use the property of American citizens, obtained through unjust taxation, to dig the grave in which they hope to bury the American economic and political system.

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ness men, through taxation, the funds with which the government will engage in cut-throat Socialistic competition which will drive private enterprise to the wall.

Business men will thus be forced to finance the type of government competition which will destroy them. And the government, which is supported by taxes upon private wealth, will suicidally strangle the source of its own support.

Such is the Communist program for a "planned" suicide of America — to be featured by a suicidal "class war" of the American people!

To combat the Communists, in their manifold masquerades of deception and dissimulation, requires the application of alertness and intelligence on the part of every American patriot.

The enemies of our Country no longer stand before us in their true colors; they no longer confess themselves openly as foes of our flag. Behind masks of false Americanism and specious idealism, they skulk among us — performing the deeds of darkness while posing as angels of light.

Misleading and deceiving all who will lend a ready ear, they seek to lead America on to Communism under the illusion that we are heading for "social justice" and carrying on our "American revolutionary tradition."

The Communists have tried — and failed — to overthrow America by a direct frontal attack. NOW THEY ARE ATTEMPTING TO UNDERMINE OUR NATION BY THE METHODS USED BY THE INVENTORS OF THE TROJAN WAR HORSE.

Garbed in the veils of democracy, Communists are worming their way into commanding positions in our government. Enveloped with the white robes of "peace", they are standing in our pulpits and misleading the modernist church people of our nation.

We must tear the pink mask of hypocrisy from the murderous countenance of Communism. We must stop the communists from deceiving and hoodwinking more of our people.

Above all, we must deal firmly with these Communists turned hypocrite! We must enact laws in all our states and in Washington — we must put into office in all states and in Washington officials — competent to deal adequately with the insidious menace embodied in a Communist turned hypocrite.

Our forefathers, who bequeathed to us the sacred "American revolutionary tradition" were, pre-eminently, men of courage. They hated a coward. In the spirit of our patriotic heritage, we should know how to deal with reds turned yellow.

supreme peril to the race but the one great impediment to a present-day revival of the old-time religion.

Today, more than ever, is needed a revival in American Churches that will bring the conviction for sin, for judgment and for righteousness. Revival will come when God's people turn their own resources of confession and restitution and those of divine grace to an extermination of sin in their hearts and lives.

"What is the secret of Revival?" a great revivalist was asked. "There is no secret," he replied. "Revival always COMES in answer to prayer."

Before America can have a sweeping Holy Ghost Revival there must first be a revival of prayer. And before this revival of prayer can come there must be a conviction of sin and an open confession of the same among all true followers of Christ.

All movements of the Spirit in the past, without exception, have been started as was the initial outpouring upon the 120 in the Upper Room—by the forces of intense, believing prayer. Whenever the early Church prayed, as related in the Book of Acts, we find the Spirit miraculously poured out upon them.

The Wesleyan revival, like that of Pentecost, came in answer to persistent, prevailing prayer. The practice of the primitive Methodists was to pray from

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By Sarah E. Foulkes, Los Angeles, Calif.

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Revival is the mighty Spirit of God working profoundly in the heart and conscience of men.

Pentecost was the first great revival in Church history. It was then, after Christ's ascension into Heaven that the Spirit, Himself descended to earth to assume control in His stead.

From Christ's ascension to His Coming, the Book of Acts makes it plain that the purposes of God for His Church was a perpetual and continuous, burning, cleansing Holy Ghost Revival.

Has God's plan for setting the world aflame failed? How constantly perplexed and dismayed Christians ask this question in the face of growing apostasy and declension in the Church!

Christianity has not failed. If God's plan for setting the world aflame has not been realized it is due to the chan-

nels through which He chose to work out the divine plan. The human instrumentalities have become unfit, and this unfitness is due to sin.

It is sin and unbelief in the hearts of individual Church members and failure on the part of the ministry that has grieved and hindered the work of the Holy Spirit in the Church.

Pride, jealousy, back-biting, murmuring, judging, censuring, ill-will, worldliness, carnality and so on, are only a few of the sins which have thwarted God's purpose of a continuous, Holy Ghost, world-wide revival from Pentecost to the Rapture.

Sin in the Church mars the revival work of the Holy Spirit. Adam was put out of Eden for one sin. The Holy Spirit is kept out of the Church through the tens of thousands of unconfessed and unjudged sins of God's people.

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four to five religiously, every morning and from five to six every evening. Because they followed these rigid "methods" they were called "Methodists". The leaders and founders of Methodism, themselves, spent hours and even all nights in an agony of intense prayer, and started revival fires wherever they preached the Word.

Charles Finney relied more upon the untiring, unceasing, intense, believing prayers of Fathers Nash and Clary than upon the power of his spiritual logic in preaching the gospel, to sustain the fire and flame of his protracted revivals.

During the height of Finney's Revival, 50,000 souls a week were turning to God. Charles Spurgeon hearing in England of the American Revival called his people together and said: "The Spirit of God is saving multitudes in America. God is no respecter of persons. We will pray UNTIL He sends similar showers of blessing upon our land." And God answered Spurgeon's challenge by pouring out upon the British Isles the mighty revival of 1859.

D. L. Moody refused to hold revival services unless he had the positive assurance that the revival he conducted for any church would be fully prepared for and unfailingly sustained by the believing prayers of the people of that Church.

If only ministers and revivalists of today esteemed the power of prayer as did Finney, Moody and Spurgeon what would happen! What a mighty transformation would take place in the Churches of the land! O, for a praying and prevailing ministry and for an importunate and praying Church!

If pulpit and pew would take to their knees what could not God do for America today in the way of a sweeping, coast-to-coast revival! (2 Chr. 7:14 Hosea 10:12. Joel 2:16-17. Psa. 119:26. Psa 85:6. Amos 6:1)

In Wales before the great revival of 1904, three hundred praying bands were formed. It was as though Wales had become one great prayer-meeting. In 1903 the Churches of Wales were empty. Vice was rampant. The people were godless. In 1904 Wales was swept by a mighty spiritual awakening, the Churches were filled to over-flowing and within two months 70,000 souls found the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour.

In 1902 Dr. Torrey addressed a group of missionaries in Calcutta, India. Two of the lady missionaries present were so impressed with the importance he placed upon intense, believing prayer, that they returned to their mission sta-

tion and prevailed upon their people to seek the Lord in prayer. Soon, most of the district was on its knees, crying out to God. Revival was inevitable and within a short time 8,000 souls were saved in that single district.

Missionaries in Korea hearing of the marvelous story of India's revival decided to pray every day at noon until a similar revival came upon them. "After we had prayed, for about a month," said one of the missionaries in speaking afterwards about it, "a brother proposed that we stop the prayer meeting, saying 'we have been praying now for a month, and nothing unusual has come of it. We are spending a lot of time. I don't think we are justified. Let us go on with our work as usual, and each pray at home as he finds it convenient.' The proposal seemed plausible. The majority of us, however, decided that, instead of discontinuing the prayer-meeting, we would give *more time to prayer, not less*. With that in view, we changed the hour from noon to four o'clock; we were then free to pray until supper time, if we wished. We kept at it, UNTIL at last after months of praying, the answer came."

And such an answer! Over 50,000 Koreans were swept into the Kingdom on the flood tide of this revival and the work went out and on until the whole Orient felt the mighty impulse.

But perhaps, one of the greatest outpourings of the Spirit since Pentecost was the Moravian Revival in the eighteenth century, which came inevitably, as do all revivals in answer to persistent, and importune prayer.

Bishop Hasse in writing of this revival says: "Was there ever in the whole of Church History such an astonishing prayer-meeting as that which began at Herrnhut in 1727, went on one hundred years? It is something absolutely unique. It was known as the 'Hourly Intercession' and it meant, that by relays of brethren and sisters, prayer without ceasing was made to God for all the works and wants of His Church. Prayer of that kind always leads to action. In this case, it kindled a burning desire to make Christ's salvation known to the heathen. It led to the beginning of modern foreign missions. From one small village community more than one hundred missionaries went out in twenty-five years. We will look in vain elsewhere for anything to match it in anything like the same extent."

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which have been released against us.

American Churches need Jesus Christ and His power manifest. Men will not doubt His Word when they feel the Presence of His mighty Spirit. Revival always COMES in answer to prayer. Prayer is doing business for God. And praying at this time for a sweeping national revival is your business and mine!

Let pulpit and pew take to their knees in importune, intense, believing prayer as commanded in Scripture (2 Chr. 7:14. Joel 2:16:17. Amos 6:1). Let companies of intercessors, and whole churches and assemblies of Churches UNITE in pleading the promises of God in definite, persistent prayer for a national awakening and God will meet the spiritual, moral, economic and in-

dustrial needs of America by pouring out upon us a burning, cleansing flame which will involve the conscience of the people. *God's plan for setting the world afire has not failed but America and the world have left God out of their program.*

Someone has aptly said that if God could find in the Church today 120 persons as dead to sin, as absorbed in Christ, as loyal to His instructions, as united, as prayerful, obedient and willing as were the disciples who met in the Upper Room, He would possess the means whereby He could precipitate a revival today such as was visited upon the first Church when they gathered, in obedience to His command, to pray UNTIL He met them with a visitation from on high....

"Woe unto them that are at ease in Zion."

Thousands of epitaphs have been recovered, photographed *in situ*, and translated. Some are comedy; some are tragedy. Some speak brightly of their hope of the future; others are gloomy and pessimistic showing that the individual had not fully emerged from the influence of the agnostic philosophy that had prevailed.

We make these few statements concerning the catacombs because they are more or less connected with the major character of this article — St. Paul.

Of course, whole libraries have been written about this greatest of the early followers of the Christ, and more can and will be written concerning him as the years pass and archaeology gives up her many secrets.

Now, let us see what the stones have to say about Paul and his work.

Introducing Paul

Paul, according to his own word, was born in Tarsus of Cilicia, one of the famous cities of the ancient Roman Empire. The great bay that once could shelter the navies of the world, is now an extensive swamp through which the Cydnus winds its tortuous way.

The city was very ancient, probably almost contemporaneous with Damascus in its founding. Sennacherib captured Tarsus during the life time of Hezekiah, and rebuilt it after the model of Babylon. It was this city that remained when Paul was born. It was an *imperial* city with all that the word implies, and that idea gave Paul his basis for the imperial notion of Christianity. He thought of it as a world religion with *Rome as its center*.

Paul was a mixture, in that his nationality was Jewish; his family was Tarsan; his Hebrew faith had a Hellenistic form and a Roman environment.

Let us look for a moment at his education. In Tarsus there were both the Hebrew schools, and the Greek schools for children. These would, in a measure, compare with our modern Grade Schools. Paul attended both kinds.

At about twelve, he went to Jerusalem to study. He was not the oldest of the children. He had a sister who was twelve years older than he. She had married and lived in Jerusalem. Paul went to live with her while attending the University in the Temple. The Temple was not only a place of worship, but a great University which ranked with the one at Athens, and the Egyptian Universities, though, in the main, it was a school of Theology rather than a Liberal Arts college.

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Archaeology and the Life of Paul

By Dr. J. O. Kinnaman, Martin College, Pulaski, Tenn.

ONE of the most mysterious, fascinating, and tantalizing mazes in the world, so far as known, is that of the catacombs beneath the city of Rome.

It is a very recent theory that the early Christians excavated these galleries beneath the city, and that they were unknown or kept secret from the Roman government; that they were not the appropriated tufa mines as was the notion of early scholars.

If the catacombs were stretched out in a straight line, the entrance would be in the Alps, and the exit would be in the toe of the peninsula opposite Sicily; in other words they are about 550 miles in length, i.e. the portions that have been explored. How much still remain undiscovered can be only a matter of conjecture.

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It is the writer's conviction that the latest theory is wrong, and that the earlier one is correct. The very argument that is put forward for the former contention, is, to our way of thinking, the very argument that substantiates the latter.

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November 8

The Christian Warfare

Acts 19; Eph. 6:10-20

Golden Text: "Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might."—Eph. 6:10.

VERSE 2—"When", not "Since"; see Revised Version. This is a first work of grace and not a second. They were not saved until Paul came. There are many in our churches who are not Christians in the New Testament sense of the word, who have come to John's baptism, and have come no further.

(8) Paul always enters the synagogue first, for there he finds men of his own race who know something of the Scriptures, who believe in the one true God, and who are looking for the Messiah.

(9) "Separated". Separation is often necessary if the purity and peace of the church is to be maintained (13:46-48; 18:6-7; 28:23-28).

(10) All the seven churches mentioned in Revelation 2 and 3 were probably founded during this period (I Cor. 16:9; Acts 20:18-35).

(11) The people manifested their faith in the same manner as did the woman with the issue of blood (Mt. 9: 20-22); and God answered their faith as He answered the woman's faith, for God answers faith if it is real, even when made imperfect by ignorance and superstition.

Verses 18-19—Wherever the gospel is truly revealed, men are transformed, habits are broken, lives are changed and cities are turned upside down. So it is here in this great center of Greek commerce, pagan religion and wickedness.

A great Y. M. C. A. building was held up for months after the site was chosen, the plans drawn and the money provided, because two shanty owners would not let go their hold on a little piece of ground in the center of the plot. What is the name of the little shanty in our minds which is holding up the great building of character and service for which God has the plans and the means ready? Is there nothing in our lives that calls for a bonfire?

One thing more: Verses 13 to 17 describe the "whole armour of God". Loins girt, breastplate, shield, helmet and sword! There is one piece of armour lacking in this assortment—the BACK-PLATE. . . . The Christian needs nothing to protect his back because he is never supposed to have his back to the enemy.

November 15

The Heroism of Christian Faith

Acts 21:12, 13, 27-34; Rom. 9:1-5

Golden Text: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." John 15:13.

VERSE 13—The verb "break" is found only here in the New Testament and signifies the weakening of purpose in any one. So the apostle says they were trying to weaken his determination to go to Jerusalem. (Mt. 16:22).

(27) When the Jews had determined upon the death of Christ they postponed it until after the Passover Feast (Jn. 18:28). . . . Here they did not want a drop of Paul's blood upon the pavement of the temple, but they were quite willing to have it upon their heads.

(29) A large share of all the misrepresentation and all the injustice in the world comes from people "supposing".

(30) It is a poor kind of religion that cares more for the sanctity of a building than for the sanctity of human life.

The story is told of a well known Welsh preacher who went to deliver the address at the burial of a pious and venerable village minister in South Wales. His first words to the large gathering of miners were: "My brethren, the greatest obstacle on your road to hell has been removed."

(34) Paul was the only cool one in the crowd. "The test of conviction is the temper which it produces. Frenzy in defense is always a condemnation of the thing defended."—Morgan.

Mobs are dangerous. Like cattle, they are easily stampeded. But even in turmoil of this kind, Paul felt secure because he had security in his heart.

November 22

An Ambassador in Chains

Acts 28:16-24, 30-31; Rom. 5:6-11

Golden Text: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13.

SATAN'S attempts to destroy the royal highway of the Seed (Gen. 3: 15) between Eden and Bethlehem's manger, makes an interesting and absorbing Old Testament study.

Hardly less interesting is that of his efforts to prevent Paul from carrying the Gospel to Rome—the malice of Jerusalem Jews, the law's delays at Caesarea, the storm, the soldier's effort to kill the apostle, the shipwreck, the viper, the chains, and imprisonment. But Satan can never frustrate God's plans, and Luke exultantly writes:

"And so we came to Rome." (Verse 14)

"Paulus Romae finis actorum, Apex Evangelii, Victoria Verbi Dei"; When Paul is at Rome, it is the proper ending of the Acts; it is the climax of the Gospel; it is the victory of the Word of God.

Verse 9—The argument here is that if Christ so loved us as to pour out His own blood that we might be acceptable to God, we may be fully persuaded that we are forever delivered from the wrath to come. Our justification is eternal in its results (Rom. 1:18; 2:5; Eph. 2:3; 5:6; Col. 3:6).

(10) "Saved by His life." Literally we might read, "kept safe in His life." We are livingly knit to him, the Living One. If anything, God's work through Christ IN the believer is even more wonderful than God's work through Christ FOR the believer! Read Romans 5:10 again.

What seemed to be a menace turned out to be a blessing; the cloud which appeared so ominous brought a gracious shower; the restriction became the mother of larger liberty; the prison was the appointed place of richer and more glorious vision. In other words it is a perfect illustration of what Paul taught years before in writing to the same city where he is now a prisoner. (See Rom. 8:28).

November 29

Christian Brotherhood

Philemon 4-20

Golden Text: "There is neither bond nor free . . . for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." Gal. 3:28.

PAUL from his prison wrote to the rich Philemon about the converted runaway slave, Onesimus, who had stolen goods from his master, but who, after his conversion, was returning to right the wrong. Paul's attitude is a beautiful example of practical righteousness and Christian courtesy.

Verse 7—The home of Philemon was a place of refreshment for the weary, the sorrowing, the persecuted, and those in need of food and clothing, probably received it at the hands of this true follower of the Lord Jesus.

(9) The threefold appeal is (1) His love for Philemon; (2) The fact that he was now old; (3) That he was a prisoner. But he says: "a prisoner of Christ Jesus." Not of Rome nor Roman Emperor. To the man abandoned to the will of his Lord, nothing can happen outside the good and perfect will of God.

(10) To renew a soul of man and form it anew to the image of God is not a human work, yet because the soul is regenerated by faith, and faith comes by hearing, on that account, he

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who administers the doctrine holds the place of a parent.

(11) Onesimus means "profitable." There is a play on words here. This man who was good for nothing is now profitable. Just as we might write to some friend: "Your right-hand man Wright, who in times past went wrong, is now all Wright, both for you and me."

(16) In the flesh, Philemon has a brother for a slave. In the Lord, he has a slave for a brother. When the apostolic precept that in Christ Jesus is "neither bond nor free" (Gal. 3:28) was not only recognized but acted upon, then slavery was doomed.

(17) After calling the slave his brother, his son, his heart, what can Paul do further but to call him his other self?

(18-19) Whoever took Paul's dictation of this letter, Paul took the stylus or the quill, and wrote in his big, near-sighted scrawl: "This is my own handwriting: I Paul promise to refund it—not to mention that you owe me, over and above, your very soul." (Moffatt's translation).

DECEMBER 6**Paul's Parting Counsels**

I Tim. 6:6-16 II Tim. 4:16-18

Golden Text: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith". II Tim. 4:7.

VERSE 7—If we can take nothing out of the world, how foolish it is to spend our time in amassing that which, when we leave the world, must be left behind! (See Gen. 28:20). There are no pockets in a shroud.

(11) A man of God is one who has yielded his life to God, in whom God works out His purposes, who lives wholly for the glory of God. Such men are few, but they are the most precious discoveries in the world.

Every paragraph in this Second Epistle is suffused with emotion; every sentence throbs with the pulse-beats of a human heart. All that we read here ought to be viewed as written not with ink, but with Paul's own blood; for nothing is asserted by him for which he does not offer the pledge of his death.

Paul had finished the course which God had outlined for him as the Lord Jesus finished His course (Acts 20:24; John 17:4; 19:30). The greatest achievement in life is to die right.

He asks Timothy to come to him as soon as possible as Demas has forsaken him and the others are away on different missions. Because it was cold in the dungeon, and because he was unable to buy another one, he asks him to bring his coat. Also all his books and parchments.

For the needs of his heart, Paul asks for friends to come; for the comfort of his body, he asks for a cloak; for the stimulation and refreshing of his mind, he asks for his books. He was a scholar to the last.

But the aged one is not really left alone. Two are standing there, not one, (17) "and the form of the Second is like the Son of God". He stands embracing the man whom He has loved and saved, pouring by His touch,

an immortal force into that weary head and heart, and that fragile frame.

(18) Death is the final and perfect answer to the prayer, "Deliver us from the evil one!"

Home Missionary Heroes

By Dr. Louis R. Patmont, Berkeley, California

DURING my vacation in the month of August I had the opportunity to minister among the people of the forgotten brush-country of Northern Minnesota.

The heat wave then was intensified by scores of forest fires which raged over a stretch of a hundred square miles. The fields presented a sorry sight. The absence of rain for several months had ruined the crops. Minnesota was no exception to the dreary sights one could see in other drought stricken states.

A few years ago this part of the country presented quite a different picture. There was always an abundance of grass and fine herds of cattle. The newly cleared land produced excellent crops. The people though pioneers, often became prosperous within a few years. A spirit of optimism prevailed among them.

For the most part the population of this brush-country is made up of Scandinavians, Hollanders, and Germans. They built schools and churches. The towns were connected by a network of good roads and concrete highways. Then came the depression, and with it an intensive growth of radicalism. The churches were deserted.

The Farmer Labor Party saw to it that the people were weaned away from their religious loyalties. The entire country soon changed into a pagan stronghold. While the Reds vigorously opposed the preaching of the Gospel, they did not object to occult activities. The religious picture presented a striking parallel to the devastated brushlands, once a scene of beauty and prosperity.

A few years ago two young graduates of Moody Bible Institute, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Deursen came into this field. They were not being backed by any Missionary Society, but they

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Today Richard Deursen is ministering to seven communities. The church at Sandstone, Minnesota is the center of these activities. Until about a year ago this church was a deserted and dilapidated building which had become the habitation of birds and rodents.

The Deursens organized a Bible Church, purchased the building from the defunct Methodist Episcopal congregation, furnished it beautifully, and best of all, succeeded in filling it with happy worshippers. The Sunday School is rapidly approaching the two hundred mark.

For the past three years it has been my privilege to have a little share in this ministry. While I had come to fish in the numerous beautiful lakes during my annual vacation trips in this section, I have also preached in the evenings.

One Lord's day morning last summer, in the little church at Rutledge, also rescued from ruin by the Deursens, twenty-one souls accepted and confessed Jesus Christ as their personal Savior.

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ARCHAEOLOGY.

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sand years ago. Here we find one of the most beautiful temples of Roman architecture in the world, and this temple was undoubtedly the great library of the city. Here our subject perfected his monumental scholarship, for Paul was destined to do that which only two other men have done in history: be the father of a classical language.

Cicero before him made the crude dialect of Latium a classical tongue; Chaucer took the mixed dialects of his day and made the English language, though not classical; Paul took the Koine Greek of his time and moulded the greatest book that it was ever the task of man to pen.

Paul either wrote, or caused to be written under his supervision, three-fourths of the New Testament. He made what was formerly called the Hellenistic or Patriotic Greek. Where did he perfect his knowledge of the language of the great mass of people in the Roman Empire? Where did he learn to speak the Latin? For speak it he did, and fluently since he plead his own cause before the Supreme Court, and won his case.

Now do not take the position that Greek was the language of the Court at Rome. It was not. Latin was the official language of the courts.

May Have Visited England

Many commentators upon the life of Paul seem to take delight in making him a beggar as to financial status; a "no-body" in the social scale, and a man without political standing. But this is entirely the wrong view.

Paul was a man who wielded worldwide influence in his own time, and even greater to-day. He was a missionary, it is true, but he also was an explorer, and an "ambassador of good will" to the different provinces, and mixed population of the Roman Empire.

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There was a Roman lady, though of British birth, of high social standing, and wide political influence, living in Rome whom Paul converted to Christianity. This lady was Pomponia Graecina, the wife of Aulus Plautius, Governor of Southern Britain under the Emperor Claudius. She is known in church history as Ste. Lucina. Did Paul convert her in Britain or Rome? We do not know, but she lies in the catacomb of Domitilla, and it was her money that buried Paul and Peter in the Catacombs of St. Calixta, and Domitilla.

Clemens of Rome remarks: "Paul reached the farthest bound of the west". The "farthest bound" of the Roman Empire in Paul's time was the British Isles. It is an old tradition that Paul was the personal friend of Seneca. This idea has been largely discredited by modern scholars; but the onus of evidence is such as to support the tradition rather than the denial and ridicule of "modern" scholarship. It is now known that Seneca studied at the University of Tarsus. Is it not more than probable that the two young men formed a friendship there?

The early catacombs which we have mentioned above were under the protection of the government. On the Via Salaria, three miles out from the walls, is the catacombs of Priscilla, where, in an inscription, is found the name of Paul's mother, and it is the same as the name of the catacombs.

In the Catacombs

In Rome at this time was the centurion who stood commanding the guard at the cross of Jesus when He was crucified. It was this centurion, who, as he looked upon Jesus in the last moments of agony, exclaimed: "Certainly this was a righteous man".

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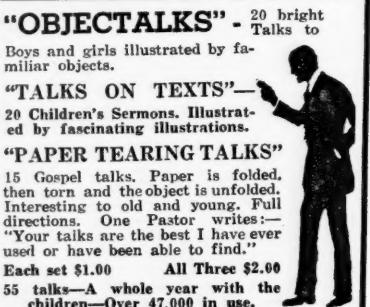
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In this church Peter is shown on one side wall, and Paul on the other directly opposite; but when they are placed together, Paul takes precedent. This position is found in the catacomb artistry until the beginning of the fifth century, when the positions are reversed.

In the catacombs of Domitilla were found medallions of the two men that are accepted as true since the date of making is less than one hundred years after their death. Also in these catacombs of Domitilla is found the oldest sarcophagus known to Christendom.

Close beside it stands the sarcophagus of the daughter of the Apostle Peter. Her name, as spelled upon the inscription, was Petronilla. Of course the Catholic Church maintains that the lady lying in this coffin was only the spiritual daughter of Peter, the Apostle, and the real granddaughter of Peter, the father of Titus Flavius Sabinius. However this may be, these artifacts bring us into close contacts with Paul.

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short vacation. On the 19th of the month the great fire broke out and destroyed the major portion of the city of Rome. Tradition maintains that Nero set the fire, then blamed the conflagration upon the sect known as the Christians.

It is now known that the fire originated in the wooden horse stalls of the Circus Maximus, and Nero had nothing to do with its origin. But due to the wave of popular indignation that followed the destruction of the city, a "goat" had to be found to bear the onus of the catastrophe. The Christians stood out as the best sacrifice that could be offered to popular fury. In addition to their political activities, the Christians, by current tradition, were accused of practicing human sacrifice.

The leader of the sect must be sought, and brought back to Rome, as a political move. Paul was the head of the sect. He was in Great Britain. He was brought back under the charge of high treason.

In the first trial of Paul, the Emperor, Nero, sat as the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Empire.

Paul plead his own cause, and was acquitted.

But in his second trial, he did not appear before the same court, but in what we would call the Mayor's Court of the city of Rome. This court was held either in the Basilica Julia, or the one bearing Paul's own name. It is not, as yet, possible to determine in which building the trial took place, but it is rather fascinating to think that it was in the latter.

The Mayor of the city was Titus Flavius Sabinus, the brother of Vespasian who later became Emperor, and destroyed the Golden House of Nero, and from the rough stones of the House built the Colosseum.

Standing before this man, Sabinus, Paul was tried for the last time. It is a curious fact, but a fact none the less, that Paul did not attempt to plead his cause, but devoted his time in trying to convert the Mayor to Christianity. But if we try, we can offer, at least, a tentative solution for this peculiar behavior upon the part of Paul.

Flavius Clemens, a relative of Flavius Sabinus married the cousin of Sabinus. Her name was Domitilla, the niece of Domitian. This was the Domitilla who afterwards made the Catacombs of Domitilla her own by royal decree.

Paul was sentenced by Sabinus. This sentence was capital punishment. Such punishment could be inflicted upon a Roman Citizen in one way only, viz: beheading. The victim, after sentence, should, according to law, have been immediately put to death.

Sabinus did not carry out the letter of the law. He remanded Paul to prison, and while there, as we might say,

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in the death house, he wrote the last letter of the many that came from his pen. This was the Second Epistle to Timothy. Paul's last sermon cleared the way for the Gospel to the very throne of the Roman Empire.

Clemens' brother married Julia Augusta, daughter of the Emperor Titus. Emperor Domitian adopted the two children of Clemens and Domitia; if the Emperor had soon died after the adoption, Christianity would have been upon the throne within fifty years after the crucifixion; but Providence willed it otherwise. However, the Mayor later yielded to the preaching of Paul.

His Tomb is Empty

After the execution of Paul outside the walls of the city, Paul was buried the first time practically at the spot where he was executed. During the persecution under Valerian, the body was transferred to a vault under the house of Hermes where the graffiti

describing the transfer has been recently discovered.

Later the bodies of Paul and Peter were transferred again to the catacombs of St. Callixta, where the sarcophagus remained until the erection of the cathedrals that bear their names. The dust of the two saints was carefully commingled, since there were no distinguishing marks, and half was placed in a sarcophagus beneath the high altar in the cathedral of St. Peter, and the other half in a sarcophagus beneath the high altar of St. Paul.

Nearly twenty feet beneath the high altar of St. Paul's cathedral rests the sarcophagus of the great Gentile Missionary. The bottom of the lid has fallen to the bottom of the coffin. The upper right-hand corner of the lid had been broken off. Across the top of the lid now remains the letters

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It is true that much of it is fraud, for there are many fake mediums, slate writers and table tippers.

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Mr. Peterson's work is not just another book that scratches the surface and dodges the personnel behind the scenes for fear of intimidation, but instead it digs deep, strikes at the very root of things and stirs up a stench that is certain to arouse the ire of Hell's Occult Aristocracy.

Four years were spent in gathering the facts used in this book, and approximately 9,000 pages of material were reviewed, much of it coming from remote parts of the earth, to say nothing of news clippings, seances, meetings attended, plus experimentations of the author. Mr. Peterson is an original thinker and careful observer. This book will awaken every Christian reader to the realization that there is something more to Spiritism and Hypnotism than just a charlatan theory. Among the subjects discussed are: Privately taught theories of Spiritism, Hypnotism and Occultism; Seances; Trances; Familiar Spirits; Demons; Signs; Omens; Occult Practices; Witches; Charlatans; Demon Worship; Guides; Black Magic; Alchemy; Jacobins; Cabala; Devil Worship; Mysterious Societies; Revolutionary Groups; Abominations; Anarchism; Astral Projection; Astrology; Babylonian Mythology; Theology; Black Art; Black Mass; Bolshevism; Buddhism; Cave Dwellers; Chaldean Magic; Charmers; Christian Science; Cause of Civil War; Divine Metaphysics; Coming War; Communism; Copenhagen Meeting; Cruelty; Dual Sex; Deified Man; Divination; Diabolic Magic; Death of Lincoln; Egyptian Practices; Evolution; Free Masonry; Five Pointed Star; Six Pointed Star; Fascism; Great White Lodge; Hindu Theology; Hammer & Sickle; Nazism; French Revolution; Hypnogenic Spots; History Mutilation; Hermetic Philosophy; Invisible Group; Illuminism; Inner Circles; Isis; Osiris; Judaism; Krishnamurti; Khlysty; Liberalism; Lesser Schools of Mystery; Learners; Initiates; Mesmerism; Metaphysics; Mother God; Magnetism; Mystification; Mussolini; Hitler; Lenin; Trotsky; Mental Telepathy; Masonic Symbols; Left and Right Movements; Nudism; Nineveh; Nimrod; Orgies; Oriental Philosophy; Philosopher's Stone; Paganism; Rose Croix; Rosicrucian Brotherhood; Superstitions; Socialism; Self Hypnosis; Sabbats; Satanism; Semiramis; Swedenborg; Swastika; Phallic Cross; Technocracy; Theosophic Mysticism; Talmud; Tower of Babel; Vishnu; Brahma; Witches Ointment; Weishaupt; Yoga; World Dictators.

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My Interview With Kagawa

By R. A. Ofstedal, Valley City, N. D.

(Editor's Note: Liberals, Socialists, Communists and Modernists united in praising Kagawa while he was on his recent speaking tour of the United States. Parading his teachings in the name of Christianity, this man expounds what he calls "Christian Communism"—which phrase is a misnomer. Rev. Ofstedal dared to expose Kagawa's sinister teachings while he was here. Now he tells of a personal conversation which he had with the noted Japanese leader.)

IT is with extreme reluctance that I again take up a discussion of issues created by the writings of Toyohiko Kagawa and his recent visit to the United States.

The writing of my pamphlets grew out of a sincere desire to cry out a warning against books which, to such an unusual degree, blend truth and error, and are therefore all the more dangerous.

I hope that it will not be necessary to make any further statements on this subject, but issues have been raised that must be met. I feel forced not so much to defend myself as the principles which I believe to be consistent with the Word of God.

Necessary Criticism

I have sought to "speak the truth in love", and if there be those who feel

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that it is unkind to make stern criticism of false teachings I would only remind them that even such an Apostle of Love as John wrote concerning false teachers: "If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed; for he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds."

And I am sure that no conservative Christian, on careful study, will deny that Kagawa's writings contain much of false teaching, much that is contrary to Scripture and its Christ.

The place given to Christ

To take just one instance from among many! How strangely does not Kagawa account for the love of Christ. "There lies buried in the cosmos," he writes "a love which does not rise to the level of human consciousness, like a root buried beneath the stem," and he asks the question, "May it not be that the love which Jesus enjoined when he said, 'Love your enemies' and 'Love sinners,' is love springing up from the roots long buried as profound cosmic will?"

Shall we not warn against the counsel of one who advises us to look for the source of the love of Christ, not upward to the Heavenly Father but downward to a love "buried in the cosmos"?

Shall we not guard against the statements of one who professes a creed that is built, not upon Christ, but upon this "Love," and who says, "No sects there are in Love. Buddhist, Mohammedan, Christian—these are not Love's divisions . . . Classify me not by creed: I belong to nothing but Love . . . Only before Love do I bow in reverence." These quotations are taken from his book, "Love The Law Of Life" which contains Kagawa's "System of Love."

How do such statements as to the place of Christ agree with what St. Peter said in Acts 4:12 as to Christ's name being above every name? Or how do they agree with what Jesus Himself said, in John 14:6?

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Kagawa's books have been mistranslated by men prejudiced in favor of Modernism.

If that is true it is only to admit that there is something wrong with his books. If that is true, his translators stand accused of having perpetrated a hoax, not only upon Kagawa, but also upon his readers, which is in proportion to the false teachings they have injected into his writings.

This is a serious accusation indeed to make against his translators and one would expect that Kagawa if he were earnestly concerned about Bible truth, would make haste in demanding a sweeping revision of his own writings.

Our Interview

It is not a pleasant task, however, to take up this issue with men for whose position and personal Christianity I have a very high regard, any more than it has been a pleasant task to take issue with the writings of Kagawa, a man whose record of sacrifice and achievement is so outstanding, his personality so appealing. And I do sincerely hope that it will not be necessary to take up this issue again.

My only reason for so doing is that I am extremely anxious that no incorrect impression be left as to my position or as to the issues involved. For example, a very misleading statement has been printed in various publications of late which has gained wide circulation. Dr. Kagawa is quoted as saying, as a result of an interview which he accorded me, "When we were through, I am sure we understood each other much better and were quite agreed."

This would mean that I have withdrawn my objections to the false teachings contained in Kagawa's writings. This impression has now become current among many professing Christians so I have asked for permission to have my statement printed in this Magazine as well as in these papers which printed Dr. Kagawa's statement making it clear that this was not the case and that our interview did not end in an agreement.

There was a definite lack of harmony throughout. How, for example, could a Christian agree with one who, when asked if he believed in the Triune God, —Father, Son and Holy Ghost,—three Divine persons in one Godhead,—could answer, "I do not go that far?" (See also his definition of the Trinity in his "Meditations on the Cross"—pages 131, 132.)

At the close of the interview, I made the following statement to Dr. Kagawa: "Dr. Kagawa, as one who would like to offer his Christian testimony, I would earnestly request of you, for the sake of the Christian faith of your readers, that you remove from your writings all of those statements which are out of harmony with the Scriptures."

I wanted to leave a clear testimony with him that his writings were not in accord with the Word of God and that the obligation lay upon him to eliminate the unscriptural elements from his

writings; that is, if he wished to make a truly Christian testimony. His writings are the main issue. As long as he continues to speak to Christian readers through his books, as long as false teachings therein contained, go uncorrected and unrebutted, we have no choice but to warn against their dangers.

The Interview Ends

Was it presumptuous on my part to make the request above quoted? Must it be so, as one writer maintained, that only those who have sacrificed as much as Kagawa have a right to criticize, to make such testimonies?

I cannot find it in my Bible. There I find that the humblest, the lowliest child in the Kingdom, has a right to witness and to seek to set right those who are straying away from the Word.

The statement above quoted ended the interview. Kagawa sat in silence for a few moments after I made this request. I received no reply, as he then arose and took his leave. How that interview could be thought to have resulted in "agreement," I cannot understand.

Most emphatically, we were far from agreement on Dr. Kagawa's books at the termination of the interview. To be in harmony with his books, would be to

be out of harmony with the Christian faith in as many points as they conflict with the Christian faith.

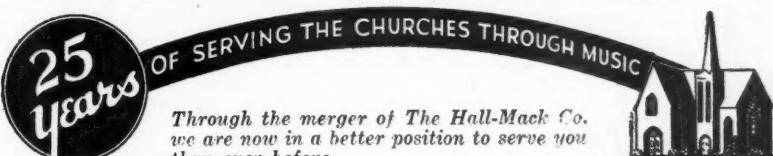
Paganism and Christianity

I should like to leave this clear testimony at this point. I am just as confident as ever that Dr. Kagawa's writings are entirely out of harmony with God's Word at many fundamental points, and that the very fact that he blends Christian truth with pagan teaching makes writing all the more dangerous.

What is more dangerous than truth alongside of pagan error, honey and poison on the same shelf—unlabelled?

The early Christian Church, having had to face problems of doctrine within its own midst, next had to face a far more dangerous enemy, that of meeting with those who sought to blend paganism with Christianity. Speaking for the moment to my own denomination, the Lutherans—perhaps think we have settled the problem of orthodoxy, but is it not possible that as we emerge today out of the seclusion afforded by foreign languages used, we shall be faced with a far more critical danger, that of a religion which seems to be able to harmonize Christianity with paganism!

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INTERVIEW.

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The Emphasis

It is true that a headline appears in my pamphlet, "Impossibility of Cooperation with Cooperative Plan." But this is explainable by subheadings occurring immediately under it, "Kagawa's Plan for World-wide Social Evangelism" and again "Old Traditional Missions must pass."

Under these headings Kagawa is quoted as saying, "Moreover, the Cooperative Movement must be worldwide in its scope. It must leap across national boundaries... And ever-increasing emphasis must be placed upon evangelism as one of the God-given means of realizing this Christian social and world order. However, this evangelism also must be international in its method and scope."

And again, "The old traditional missions . . . must pass out of the picture. The whole world Christian enterprise must be put upon a cooperative and sharing basis."

It is because Kagawa makes cooperative the business of the Church, because he places the social gospel ahead of the Gospel of Christ that the writer says that we cannot cooperate with cooperatives as Kagawa would build them up. "But Kagawa makes the fatal mistake of putting the social gospel ahead of this gospel-program of Jesus Christ," the pamphlet states.

In support of this, attention is called to the incident, which Kagawa himself relates, of how he turned aside a young man from becoming an evangelist because he admitted that he did not have "the courage to go to prison" or "THE GRIT TO LEAD A STRIKE."

Further, how Kagawa "materializes" that wonderful Gospel invitation of Christ, saying, "For materialistic failure He said, 'Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden.'" The pamphlet takes exception also to statements like this. "What the missionaries need to do now in Africa is to start the cooperative system." "By 'real' Christianity, I mean Christianity carried out in the cooperative movement."

Many more quotations can be made, but suffice it to say, that the pamphlet tries to make very clear that Kagawa's Cooperative Movement, also called the "Kingdom of God" movement, is dangerous because it puts economic aims ahead of spiritual aims. We believe there is only one Kingdom of God on earth, that defined by Paul in Romans 14:17.

The chapter headline above quoted cannot be taken to mean that the writer of the pamphlet is opposing the cooperative movement *as such*. In fact, almost immediately under this headline, the statement is made in the pamphlet, "Would it not be perfectly fair for Christians to say to Kagawa, 'We will gladly cooperate with you in any economic and cooperative enterprise so long as it does not conflict with our Christian faith and life; we will gladly do all we can if you will only set forth a program which will not interfere with our relation to God's Word, to Christ, and to the building of God's Kingdom through baptizing and teaching, even as Christ has commanded.'"

The Word Alone

It has not been the purpose of the writer to enter in upon a full discussion of the cooperative movement as such. Rather he has felt that there was a crying need to warn against teachings found in Kagawa's writing which war against the soul and against the great soul-saving program of Christ.

It is our humble but earnest faith that, after all, the great business of the Church today is primarily to cry out unceasingly its message of warning and admonition against everything that conflicts with God's Word, and to preach with all our power the saving gospel. But more than that: It is our belief that the Church of Jesus Christ has in its spiritual message of sin and grace the only power which can bring peace again to the troubled hearts of men and order out of this present chaos.

If the proclamation of God's Word will not do this, will anything else avail?

I leave it to you to judge, and I commend my cause to God. As before Him, I can say, that I have testified solely out of concern for our beloved Church and the souls of many readers of Kagawa's books.

My prayer is that more and more voices will be raised to cry out in solemn warning against every false teaching that comes into our midst, no matter who may be the author of it. I thank and praise God for the privilege of making this testimony, of which privilege I am so unworthy.

I pray that He will accept it and use it for the building of His Kingdom. To Him shall be the glory. We have the precious promise that His Word shall endure forever.

The Hope Of The World

By Rev. John F. Harvey, Sierra Madre, Calif.

THE hope for the world, the solution of its problems, is not in political conventions, peace leagues, peace treaties, or disarmament conferences.

There is no permanent hope for humanity at Geneva, Lausanne, London, Paris, Washington, or at any earthly place, or in any earthly movement.

Men may preach peace, talk about peace, organize peace societies, and call peace conferences, but there can be no permanent peace in a world whose god is Satan. He who rebelled against the Almighty will keep this world in strife and turmoil as long as he is the "prince of this world." (John 14:30).

The only hope for the solution of

this world's problems is in that "Blessed hope and glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ." (Titus 2:13).

Only the personal return of "this same Jesus" Who went up into heaven, will banish sin and sorrow, and establish justice, equity, and peace in the earth. Only His Coming will usher in the Millennium. It is not here now. We do not know *when* it will come, but we do know it will come when Jesus returns. The Word of God, that is settled forever in heaven, has so declared.

This world began in a paradise, and its end will be a paradise. "And God saw everything he had made, and, behold, it was very good." (Gen. 1:31). And when His plan of redemption through Christ Jesus is finished, the "earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." (Habakkuk 2:14).

But between those two periods there is sin, selfishness, greed, misery, destruction, and death. No, the millennium is not here now. Satan is not yet chained, but is still the "prince of this world."

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That they will succeed for a time is Scriptural truth. Dark days are ahead for the nations. There is yet a deluge of fury to be poured out upon a rebellious and impenitent world from which there will be no escape.

We recently read this startling statement: "Civilization has struck its tents, and humanity is on the march." In view of world conditions today how true is this statement!

The world's greatest thinkers and statesmen, whether Christian or not, agree that humanity is at the place where no one knows the way out, and where our boasted civilization is tottering on the brink of collapse.

H. G. Wells, noted for his advocacy of the theory that man's ancestors lived in trees and had long tails, is reported to have said: "Destruction is not threatening civilization; it is happening to civilization now before our eyes. The ship of civilization is not going to sink in five years time, nor in fifty years. It is sinking now."

Strange words to come from an evolutionists. He continues: "It's practically all over now. There will be hell to pay east of the Suez. The Red flag will advance to the Rhine, maybe to the Atlantic. Down will come Europe in one awful smash! Anarchy will seize the doomed United States. Mankind will take to the caves."

Has Mr. Wells been reading the Bible? Perhaps he has read Isaiah 2:19: "And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of the Lord, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth."

Or he may have read Revelation 6:15: "And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bond man, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; and said to the mountains and the rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb."

A man need not be a prophet to recognize the drift of human government. It has always been in the line of deterioration. There is no Christian government, never has been, and never will be, until the Son of God returns to sit upon the throne of his father, David as King of kings and Lord of lords.

The sovereignty of this world will then become that of our Lord and His Christ. (Rev. 11:15).

But until that day comes there is no such thing as righteous government. At their best they are but "wild beast" governments, full of savage passion, cruelty, and ungodliness. In the nature of constituted society it cannot be otherwise.

It is true that the right to rule belongs unto God. But since the apostasy of the race to Satan's standard,

he has been the god and prince of this world. And his defilement is upon everything man attempts to do.

Because of this the best of human rule is very imperfect. Mostly man's rule is mis-rule. We have come to a day when the mis-rule of man has caused the masses of the people to lose faith in those who have made promises, and whom they have elected to offices of authority. To many leaders of nations promises, platforms, and treaties are nothing but "scraps of paper."

Mr. Emil Ludwig, European writer of note, in an article on the subject, "The World Longs for Leaders," says: "In most countries various forms of governments have been tried out one after another, and the people therefore have lost faith. They desire nothing better than to cast themselves into the arms of a saviour. If a genius arose, capable of cutting the Gordian knot of economic crisis, the whole world would unconditionally submit to his dictatorship."

Startling words when taken in connection with present day events and Scripture truth. In the "Unofficial Observer", in an article on "Our Lords and Masters", it is stated that the world is ruled by twenty-five men.

This will continue until all are eliminated except one, the Man of Sin, the Son of Perdition, the Antichrist.

When that day comes the godless

nations will hail him as their long-looked for deliverer. Men will receive him, and delight in him as the sublime champion of human interest and greatness. Those in authority will gladly yield their dominion to him. All the world will wonder after him. (Rev. 13:3).

Present day world conditions are rapidly paving the way for the coming World Dictator. Humanity is restless like the restlessness of the sea. "The caravan of humanity is on the march." Where is it going? To the bloody battle field of Armageddon! Marching humanity! Listen: You can hear the tramp, tramp of their feet. As certain as God lives, and His Word is true, just so certain is this world heading in for Armageddon.

The strong delusion, that is taking hold of men today will eventually lead them to believe that they can dethrone God, and destroy the Almighty. Satan's lies will lead them to believe that, in this way, they can reach their Utopia of earthly freedom and prosperity. That is the noble(?) plan of the Bolsheviks who are in control in Russia.

Humanity has been looking, longing, and praying for the time when the nations "shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks." When nation shall not "lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore". (Isa.

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THE HOPE.

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2:4). But that time will come only when the law goes forth out of Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. (Isa. 2:3).

Before that day dawns, nations will continue to beat their plowshares into swords, and their pruning hooks into spears. "Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles; Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up: Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruning hooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong." (Joel 3:9-10).

If leaders would read and believe God's holy prophet, Joel, they would see that this proclamation of war is connected with the day when the "harvest is ripe, the press is full, and their wickedness is great." (Joel 3:13).

The prophet Joel, lifting his face toward heaven, cries, "Thither cause thy mighty ones to come down, O Lord." Heaven is opened and the Sitter upon the white horse comes forth. "His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head many crowns; He was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood; and his name was called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a

sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule the earth with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the wine press of the wrath of Almighty God." (Rev. 19:11-15).

The Bible account of the Armageddon conflict is brief. John saw it but did not describe it. He only tells the results he beheld. "And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceedeth out of his mouth: And all the fowls were filled with their flesh." (Rev. 19:20,21).

Thus will end the present age and usher in the eternal reign of the kingdom of the Prince of Peace. Then will be fulfilled the words of God by the prophet Nahum: "Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace." (Nahum 1:15).

The only hope for this sin-cursed world, torn with strife and drenched with blood, is the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. Men may scoff and jeer, and call us dreamers, and fools, and pessimists, but it is the very truth of God.

It is all written in His infallible Word.

God Loves His Banished Children

By George H. Gilmer, Draper, Va.

TEXT: "Yet doth he devise means, that his banished be not expelled from him". II Samuel 14:14.

Nearly the whole of the Old Testament history is typical. I mean by that that God uses it as a type to set forth and to illustrate His wonderful plan of salvation. If you have never made a special study of the types of the Old Testament you would be amazed to see what a mine of truth it opens up.

The text is the key-note in a remarkable short story from the life of King David of Israel which illustrates the plan of salvation. Let me relate the story briefly and then use it to illustrate how God saves.

The Story

Amnon, one of David's sons, has committed a grievous crime. His brother Absalom has slain him for it. Then

Absalom was banished from his father's home for having killed his brother.

The king loved Absalom and grieved over his absence. He wanted to bring him back home, but he was the king and must be just. Joab, David's faithful servant, discerns the state of the king's heart, and devises a scheme to move David to forgive Absalom and bring him home.

He sends to Tekoa for a wise woman, and puts the following story in her mouth, which she is to tell the King.

She explains to the king she was a widow with two sons. These two boys had a quarrel while in the field and one killed the other. Then the kinsmen, the avengers of blood, demanded the death of the remaining son. This was in accordance with the law. But the widow is heart broken and pleads for the life of her boy.

David is deeply moved and decides to save him. Then the wise woman of Tekoa adroitly turns the tables and applies the story to David himself, with respect to his son. The result is that David brings Absalom home. The

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woman, in applying the story to David, speaks of God in the words of the text: "Yet doth he (God) devise means that his banished be not expelled from him".

So I want to speak of *God's Devices for Bringing Home His Banished Children*.

We hear a great deal now-a-days about the "universal fatherhood of God". But God is not the Father of all men in the same sense. All have lost their place in God's home by sin. We must be brought back and forgiven before we can be saved. God loves us even in our lost condition and has devices for bringing us back. Let us examine some of them.

The Blood Atonement

The first is the blood atonement made by Christ. There is a remarkable statement in Romans 5:8 which tells us that "God commendeth his love towards us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

While the world was lost in sin, while the whole human family was banished from the Father's home, "Christ died for us". The word translated "commendeth" means "to make conspicuous". Nothing makes God's love so conspicuous as the fact that while we were sinners Christ died for us.

Now listen to the key-stone text of the whole Bible. You have heard it a thousand times, but hear it again: John 3:16, "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Now listen to the invitation to come home, and remember it is for *you*. "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God for he will abundantly pardon."

"Come unto me, all ye that labor, and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest". "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."

Do you ask if the invitation includes you? Yes, indeed, it includes *all*. It even included His own apostate people who

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cried for Him to be crucified. Listen how He speaks to them, as He stands on the Mount of Olives weeping over the city: "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killst the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not."

He was willing, but they were not willing. So it is today. He, dear fellow sinner, is willing, but you are not willing. Nothing but your own unyielded will stands between you and the Father's home. The blood atonement is God's device for bringing you home. Will you not yield and come?

The Indwelling Spirit

But some one may say, "If I come what assurance have I that I will not wander away again?"

Well, God has another device. It is the indwelling Spirit. When you yield to Christ, and God forgives you because of His atoning blood, you become God's child, and God indwells you by His Spirit. Listen to this which is written of all believers: "Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price."

The price God paid for you is the blood of His own Son. Having paid such a price, do you think God would fail to take possession of the property He has bought? Do men act so? Do men pay an immense sum for property and fail to take possession of it? They do not. Neither does God.

Every sinner, brought home by the blood, is kept at home by the indwelling Spirit. God has both a *redeeming* device and a *keeping* device. They are the blood atonement and the indwelling Spirit.

And God's device for keeping you is a perfect one. No power in earth or hell can overcome it. I give you Christ's own word for this. Turn to that wonderful tenth chapter of John. Christ is the Good Shepherd, Who gave His life for the sheep. We become His sheep when we voluntarily enter His fold.

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know them, and they follow me. And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand". What marvelous power is this that keeps us!

Jerry McAuley, the river thief, was converted in Sing Sing prison. He heard about Christ and yielded. Perhaps few men have tested the keeping power of God as Jerry McAuley did. Again and again he fell into sin, but God would not let him go. He held him in His strong hand until he was transformed by the indwelling Spirit into the image of Christ, and was taken home to be forever with the Lord. His fame circled the globe, all because of the power which only God's Spirit can bring into a human life.

Now, dear fellow sinner, are you afraid to come home to God through Christ, for fear you might wander away again, and your last state be worse than the first? Trust Christ to save you; trust Him to keep you. Like Paul, be persuaded that he is able to keep that which you have committed unto him, against that day.

Now hear this further word of God: "Kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time". Peter was the penman who wrote those words. And perhaps no man ever had better reason to know their beauty and power. He had denied his Lord; but the Lord had prayed for him and he was brought back into communion and used for a great work. When the Lord arose from the dead, and sent word to His disciples, He added "and Peter". He did not leave Peter out. Trust Him to save you and He will never leave you out.

Providence

The third device God has for bringing home His banished may be described by a single word, *Providence*.

When by faith you come back and your sins are blotted out, and you are indwelt by the Holy Spirit and kept by the power of God, then everything that occurs in your life is for your good. After that blessed home-coming nothing can ever happen to you that is not for your good.

That is brought out in the eighth chapter of Romans where we read: "And we know that all things work to-

gether for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose". Note that God says "all things" not "some things". You will have tribulation, but it will work out your good.

"Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you." Trials are just our Father's wonderful devices for training us after we are brought back home.

Temptation and sin are dreadful from the human side, but from God's side in permitting them there is nothing strange or dreadful. Out of temptation and sin God lifts the glorified saint and makes him what He could not make him in any other way.

The story is told of a German baron that he made a great aeolian harp by stretching wires from tower to tower of his great castle. Then he listened for the music. But it was summer time and the wires hung silent in the calm, still air. Autumn came with its gentle breezes, and there were faint whispers of music. At length the furious winter storms swept over the castle, and then the harp answered in the most majestic music. The human heart is like this

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GOD LOVES.

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harp. Storms are required to bring out its sweetest music.

Death And The Resurrection

God's final device for bringing home His banished children is through death and the resurrection. Time will not permit us to develop this point fully, but let us consider a few pertinent facts.

We do not ordinarily look upon death as a blessing, but God turns it into a blessing for His people. It is through death (if Jesus tarries) and the resurrection that we enter into real life. It is through death and the resurrection that the home-coming of God's banished ones is made complete. It is after death and the resurrection that this corruptible puts on incorruption, this mortal, immortality, and the natural body is

changed to a glorified spiritual body. And now the lost ones, forgiven and cleansed, indwelt by the Holy Spirit, refined as by fire, glorified even in body, are at home where, "God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away".

I plead with you, my dear unsaved friend, to come back home to God. Do you ask how you are to come? I can not express it better than in the words of that hymn we love so much—

Just as I am, without one plea;
But that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidst me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

The race of Syrians were exiled with the Ten Tribes of Israel in the seventh century before Christ, but the northern part of the Holy Land still retains the name of that race from Pandan-Aram which had occupied the Holy Land with other races from earliest patriarchal times. The racial Syrians are gone—but the Arabs who now inhabit the land consider themselves nationally Syrians. They have dwelt in Bible lands so many centuries, have considered it their very own by right thereof, that they instinctively resent interference by races of the West.

The Balfour decree incited a wail of protest at the close of the World War that has not subsided to the present day. They have been waiting the time when they would be strong enough to drive out the Jews from Palestine and the French from Syria.

Almost two decades of protests, frequent riots, and one major revolution in Syria has not produced the desired end. The nationalistic block demanded complete autonomous independence for Syria, and a pan-Arabic state for all Moslem lands.

While the Arabs are an impetuous, dynamic race, they have shown little aptitude for self-government during the past centuries. Strong partisan feelings dominate, making centralized efforts unavailing. The sons of Ishmael fall an easy victim to intrigue, although there have been notable exceptions among Arab rulers.

Made a pawn by Turkish Sultans in past centuries, the League of Nations deemed Syria incapable of self-government, and after the World War both Syria and Lebanon were put under the tutelage of the French Mandate.

The population chaffed perpetually. The Arab thirst for individualism and self-government; his strong racial pride; his intense commercial instincts; his age-lasting envy of the Israelite race, have led him to resist with implacable hostility the establishing of a Jewish state in Palestine.

This feeling is not confined alone to the Arabs in Palestine, but is shared by Arabs scattered through every country. Down through the centuries has come the belief that as the land has been in their possession from generation to generation, so must it remain—that it should not be allotted to a people who has been outlawed by God and humanity.

After recent weeks of more or less violent manifestations on the part of so-called Nationalists in the principal cities of Syria, during which the wounded numbered hundreds and the fatalities not a few, the French High Com-

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Mass Mania In Bible Lands

By Special Defender Correspondent in Palestine.

"A HA, even the ancient high places are ours in possession." — Ezekiel 36:2.

This was said of Seir, Idumaea, or Edom, the race that sprang from Esau. Edom was the first-born son of Esau.

This posterity invaded the Holy Land from the south, rejoicing in the possession of so rich a country—one flowing in milk and honey, which the Children of Israel had forfeited because of protracted rebellion against God.

Esau's third wife was Bashemath, a daughter of Ishmael. From this union arose a race of fierce retainers, or sheikhs, in the courts of Edom. The country of Edom lay along the route pursued by the Israelites from the peninsula of Sinai to Kadesh-Barnea, near the east side of the great valley of Araphah. The Edomites gradually extended their domain westward and northward into Palestine.

In the eighteenth century before Christ, the Nabathaeans, a powerful race which sprang from Nebajoth, the first son of Ishmael, began to spread westward. In the third century before Christ we find them possessors of Edom and the southern part of the Holy Land; they subsequently founded the Arabic kingdom of Petraea.

Aretas, king of Arabia, was father-in-law of Herod Antipas (Matt. 14:3,4), and it was the same who captured the city of Damascus, and held it at the time of Paul's conversion (II Cor. 11:32; Acts 9:25). To the Nabathaeans belong the credit of those great monu-

ments of Petra which are still the wonder of the world.

Antipater, an Idumean by birth, became through the friendship of the Roman emperor, procurator of all Judaea, and his son was Herod the Great, "King of the Jews."

The Arab inhabitants of the land today point back with pride to their ancestors — Ishmael and Esau. Mohammedanism took its root in the soil of Arabic-Idumaea, in the sixth century after Christ. It favored the fulfilling of the divine forecast rather than a reformation of racial spirit. "By thy sword shalt thou live." — Gen. 27:40.

By the sword they got Mount Seir; by the sword they exterminated the Horites; by the sword they battled with their Abrahamic brethren of Israel, and finally broke their yoke; by their sword they won Palestine; by the sword 20,000 Idumeans, having been admitted to the Holy City, filled it with robbery and bloodshed, and by the sword Mohamet made the Crescent to rule over the cross in West Asia and North Africa.

From underneath, intensive revolutionary ideas propagated in Moslem lands, have torn the youth away from all former religious precepts, reviving the spirit of "rule by the sword."

Communism, working secretly and strategically, has planted the seed of internationalism so strongly in the heart of the rising generation, that the question of race and nationalism has suffered all but a total eclipse.



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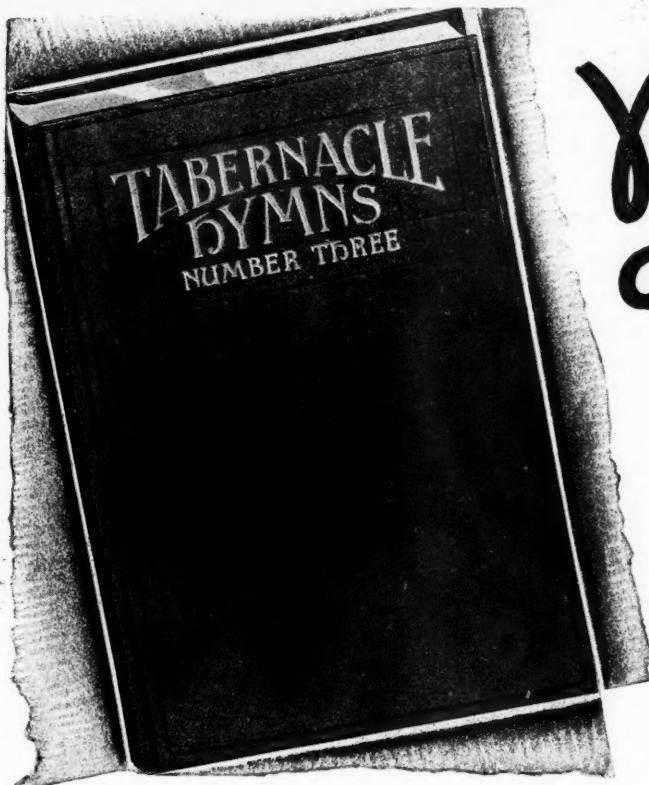
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The author and his wife spent months in collecting data and in roaming the New England country which was the early home of D. L. Moody. They delved into the genealogies to find that his ancestors came from England in 1633.

D. L. was the sixth in a family of nine children of an improvident father and a wonderful mother. But though she was a member of a church she disapproved of her son becoming a preacher, and would not hear him preach until after he came to renown. And then she was satisfied!

D. L. went through the usual experiences of the farm boy of his time. His training in spiritual truth was almost negligible, his educational advantages limited. On his seventeenth birthday he left home and headed for the "City of Destruction", Boston, where he became a clerk in his uncle's shoe shop. Here, through the medium of Edward Kimball, Moody found Christ and a fervor for souls that never waned.

At the age of twenty-five the evangelist married Emma Charlotte Revelle, who stood with him in his work throughout the years, shadowed indeed by the greatness of her husband, but with a place of her own in the service of the Lord.

He began to study the Bible on his knees, and his power grew. He was joined by the great evangel of gospel music, Ira Sankey, and the church began to sing while the world turned aside to listen. "Every movement of Moody and Sankey, every word uttered, was read to the ends of the earth." In answer to the question of how they did it, Moody said: "God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the mighty, that no flesh should glory in his presence. Let us take our place in the dust and give God the glory!"

Through grim necessity he was forced to become an educator, for he saw the folly of the education of Christian young people in schools taught by enemies of the Lord.

As life progressed his Christian output increased. But though the inward

man be renewed day by day, the outward man must fail, and on December 22, 1899, he arrived at the Gates of Glory.

— GOOD BOOKS —

THE LAST FIRST. By Paul Hutchens. Published by Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company. Pages 189. Price \$1.00.

BECAUSE of illness the author of this book was compelled to leave his ministry of evangelism, but his love for Christ and men led him to a ministry of the pen. Giving to the world a type of stories intended to counteract the evil of modern fiction, he has become the most popular Christian novelist in this Country.

In "The Last First" Mr. Hutchens deals with the problem that confronts the young Christian in attendance at a college supposed to be a training school for preachers, yet so saturated with Modernism that he loses his faith and tries to escape from it all. He leaves his own name behind, and as Carleton Graves buries his dead faith and rushes west to find a place where he can start a new life.

In order to sever completely all connections with the past he hurls his Bible from the train, and the act is witnessed by Ann Le Bareau, who deeply resents it. She and her father are returning to their home in the Rockies, following her graduation from a faith-building college in the east, and the father plans to complete a book on science during the summer. They become better acquainted with Carleton, and invite him to their home, feeling that they may help him find his way back to God...

Here a beautiful romance begins which results in the ultimate redemption of a young man whose faith in God had been destroyed by atheistic teachings in an institution of learning.

This is a story of compelling interest of great value to young and old alike, but most especially to young persons who are considering college attendance.

Christmas is approaching; here is an ideal present for the young.

— GOOD BOOKS —

LIFE BEGINS AT...? By E. J. Pace. Published by the Fundamental Truth Publishers. Pages 80. Price 50c.

IT is a well known fact that most of our knowledge comes through the medium of the eye, so that a truth illustrated by a drawing, gains the attention and is better retained in memory.

For more than twenty years Dr. Pace has been the leading religious cartoonist of the United States, and this book is a collection of some of his choicest drawings, presenting a continuity of thought in which Jesus is shown as the Savior of man.

The complete title of the book is, "Life Begins the Moment You Receive the Lord Jesus Christ as Your Savior and Sovereign". The purpose of the book as expressed by the author is "that many of his fellow sinners disillusioned about sin, and still groping for light, might find help in these pages; aye more, might find Him who said: 'I am the Life'."

The book consists of a series of thirty-seven cartoons. Each picture is accompanied by appropriate Scripture verses and an inspiring sermonette. The Publishers have done a beautiful job of printing which makes the work both attractive and readable. The pages are 6 1/2 inches wide and 10 1/2 inches long.

— GOOD BOOKS —

LIFTING THE LATCH TO GOD'S BOOK HOUSE. By C. D. Wendel. Published by Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company. Pages 122. Price \$1.00.

SO many books have been written about the Bible that the tendency is strong to neglect the Book itself. Yet occasionally a great book is produced which serves to inspire in the reader a deeper desire to know the Book of books better. Such a one is this beautifully written panoramic view of the tremendous scope and richness of the entire Bible, so clear and concise that a child may understand, yet with a style that will hold the interest of the adult.

The author asks us to think of the Bible as a great library building, consisting of two wings in which the books become rooms, the chapters shelves, and the verses files.

Then we start on a tour of the building to examine a few of the valuable records available in each room.

Mr. Wendel hopes that the synoptical account of each room's contents will serve to create a desire to seek for hidden gems, and to show that books which some might consider dry and uninteresting are in reality lush with good things.

In the erection of this Two-Winged house which is a library filled with facts of law, history, genealogy, ethnology, ethics, prophecy, science, hygiene, poetry, political economy, choice literature, and redemption, many men from every class and grade have worked, and sixteen centuries were required for its completion. The Master

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Architect is God, and the completed edifice belongs to the King. The corroding hand of Time has not injured it, and never will, because its builder has said: "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away", and it is His abode where He may be found by all who seek Him.

The author divides the building arrangement into a number of suites. At the portal we find a suite of five rooms the Pentateuch, and over the door the inscription, "Chamber of Law and Justice".

Following the winding of the Scarlet Thread of prophecy through this section we enter the Historical suite of twelve rooms, each with its own special name, such as the "Conquest Room" or Joshua, the "Magistrate Room" or Judges, and containing the books of History.

Next we step into a five room apartment containing the "Calisthenics Room" or book of Job, which is a spiritual gymnasium. Here also is the "Music Hall" of Psalms, and three other rooms containing choice literature.

The Scarlet Thread is very much in evidence in these rooms, becoming even more so as we enter the next two suites, the Major and the Minor Prophets.

Leaving the last of these rooms we pass through a long corridor, representing four hundred years of silence in which no books were written, and enter the New Wing, with its first suite of five rooms, the Gospels and Acts. Here we find the "Kingdom Room" of Matthew; the "Service Room" of Mark; the "Example Room" of Luke; the "Incarnation Room" of John; and the "Manifestation Room" of Acts. The Scarlet Thread is manifested here in fulfillment, as well as in the next suite of twenty-one rooms making up the "Correspondence Department", or the Epistles.

The final thrill of our tour of God's Book House is experienced when we ascend the stairs to the Dome which towers high above the other sixty-five rooms. Here are arranged magnificent pictures of "the things which thou sawest; the things which are; and the things which must shortly come to pass". We remember that the Scarlet Thread was fastened to the third shelf in the room of beginnings, Genesis, and see that the other end is tied to shelf Twelve in the Dome wherein the age long tragedy of the garden is brought to a close with the announcement. "And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent which is called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world . . . and they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb".

This is a truly wonderful book!

MASS MANIA. From Page 28.

missioner M. de Martel promised the demonstrators his influence in inducing France to respond to their insistent clamour for complete independence.

In the latter part of March the High Commissioner, M. de Martel departed for France to present his report of conditions in Syria and to advise granting independence to Syria on a basis precisely as that granted by Great Britain to Iraq. This would mean, of course the perfecting of a provisional treaty

between France and Syria.

Leaders of the Nationalist Block, accompanied by carefully selected political experts, following in the wake of M. de Martel, arrived in France and were officially received as a delegation through which the Government could logically accept negotiations.

Hostile demonstrations gave way to excessive demonstrations of joy, as though independence was now an assured fact. The suffering public believed that stores and shops would now reopen to remain, and traffic resume its normal course.

The real menace now reared its head defiantly. The Nationalist demonstrations had given it birth. It was hydra-headed, monstrous.

A half dozen ultra-nationalist groups each began to assert its respective claim for independence. Each clamored loudly for recognition. Each claimed to be the leading faction — the ruling power. Invectives and missiles were hurled. Metal gates to shops were closed with startling bangs. Frantic citizens ran pell-mell through the streets to their homes. To see Damascus once in its frenzy is never to be forgotten.

But this madness was not without its method. An entirely new party composed of students grew with startling rapidity. It issued a defiant manifesto repudiating the majority of the Nationalist leaders; repudiating the negotiations at Paris; repudiating the French High Commission and the provisional Syrian Government; denouncing the police, gendarmerie and the militia, and declaring that they had no need for any of these, as the Young Party was already formed into a de facto government with an organized army.

Up-to-the-minute radio news of negotiations going on in Paris acted on this spectre empire like sparks on high explosives. Other cities and villages in Syria contorted to the same grotesque rhythm. The counter revolutionaries in Damascus pitched their voices into a high banal minor that completely drowned out the plaintive chants of the Muezzins.

By the 7th of April the Patriotic Youth movement had solidly formed under the title of "Iron Shirts" and issued the statutes of the organization consisting of 19 articles which reveal the dictatorial nature of the movement. Adherents are obliged to dress in shirts and pantaloons the color of gray iron. This organization has already utilized gross instruments of torture, assert the Damascus press, to coerce their pals into submission.

This Iron Shirt movement is an inter-coalition combination which aims to either usurp the fruit of Nationalist agitation or demolish its power. During the past two months of demonstration, uniformed Red Shirts (Stalin), Black Shirts (Mussolini), Brown Shirts (Hitler), Blue Shirts (Francist), Green Shirts (Nahas Pasha), have almost daily and nightly paraded the streets in spectacular array. The Iron Shirts complete the series.

The Nationalist Block matured among men of ripened political experience who enjoyed the confidence of the major portion of the Arabic popu-

lation. These had come upon fame through successfully holding positions of trust in the government; they had no Utopian ideas of statehood, but as a race they desired independence, and they wished to prove to the nations at large that they were worthy of recognition as a nation among nations.

They were not particularly afflicted with mania, and they did not "see red" or any other predominant color. They merely set the ball rolling, not realizing exactly what it would gather nor what an avalanche it would precipitate upon the state.

When the tide of disorder began to rise, the national spirit of non-Arabic countries, seething ever underneath the politics of the Near East, and suing for its future glory, began to assert its presence and take form. It is a striking example of what internationalism intends to do with this country — the land of the Bible — before the collapse of Armageddon and the deposition of Antichrist.

Arms of the international Iron Shirts reach into Mediterranean countries of Asia and Africa and across Syria's hinterland, through Iraq and Persia into India — only under other names. It defines itself as dictatorial in character and decidedly militaristic.

The leading French daily in Damascus, *Les Echos*, stated that the Iron Shirt militant organization was given to frenzied excesses, and added: "The formidable army of students in gray uniform has produced a noticeable eruption in the administration and in the journalistic fraternity. Unless there can be some means of controlling the situation, it is likely to keep the schools and the places of business closed. The students refuse to arbitrate for the good of the country and the nation. The Iron Shirts have established their own state and they utilize this coercive 'canalizer' to their own profit. The Iron Shirts have lately framed their advances similar to the famous 'march on Rome'."

At the conclusion of a long article in the same strain, *Les Echos* adds: "Who is the veritable COMMANDER of this formidable army — for Syria a real and apparent peril?"

This journal is but asking the question that millions are anxiously asking over this country. Let us hark back to the first weeks in March when the press of Syria and Lebanon announced the arrival of a group of Jesuit priests in Damascus on a secret mission respecting the Nationalist demonstration for independence. No doubt the editor of *Les Echos* had forgotten the circumstance, but he was led to say in the article above alluded to that "the materialization of the Iron Shirt empire threatens the social and political life of the country."

It is not difficult to understand that when extraordinary ambitions for national independence and solidarity are jostled out of shape by hob-nailed internationalism, that the garments underneath the shirts of gray are decidedly red.

It takes that peculiar preternatural jugglery performed by the clever Moscow-trained agents, under the direction of the Illuminati, to camouflage the shirts of various colors so that they appear as solid gray — a single pale hue — a sinister color (Rev. 6:8).

Missionary Messages

My Trip To Berea

By Gerald B. Winrod

CHRISTIANS always speak affectionately of the Bereans because it is said of them: "These were more noble than those of Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the Scriptures daily, whether those things were so." (Acts 17:11)



Paul Preached Here

The preaching of Paul and Silas caused a riot among the Jews of Thessalonica (the modern Salonika). Consequently, "lewd fellows of the baser sort" were organized into a mob, and the two evangelists had to seek seclusion in the home of a devout man named Jason.

Under cover of darkness, they fled for their lives to Berea—a town located some forty miles away.

Paul and Silas, with their faithful escorts, no doubt made this trip on the backs of donkeys exactly like thousands of Greek people travel today.

Arriving in Berea, they went immediately to the synagogue and began expounding the Old Testament Scriptures, proving that the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ were prophesied therein.

The Jews of Berea were entirely different from those of Thessalonica, in that they listened with eagerness to all that was told them. The great contrast between the two communities brought real encouragement to the preachers.

Timothy soon joined Silas to help with the work, at which time Paul departed for Athens.

It was my good fortune to make this identical trip from Salonika to Berea some months ago. I shall never forget the experience!

Leaving Salonika, by the same route that Paul and Silas departed, we passed through a broad, open space called "golden gate". This was the ancient entrance to the city from the south.

Traveling down the narrow road in a Ford automobile, we saw scores of shepherds, each with a crook in his hands, watching their flocks of sheep.

This territory was the ancient Macedonia; today it is of course embodied in modern Greece. In many respects the customs of the people are the same as they were at the time of Paul.

Berea is nestled away in a little pocket between mountains, much of the city being spread out on slopes and hill-sides. As we approached its picturesque outskirts, we were obliged to pause while a drove of perhaps fifty hogs crossed the road.

It is not easy for persons living in our newly built, western world, to form an adequate mental picture of an ancient community like Berea. The visitor feels as though he has almost moved from one planet to another.

The streets are narrow and gloomy—so narrow in many places that even ox-carts can not get through. Five Mohammedan mosques lift their towering heads above the other buildings of the community. The city boasts about twenty thousand population at the present time.

Although the Christian religion, as Paul taught it, is practically unknown in Berea today, yet anybody you meet can take you to the two large stones, carefully guarded by an iron fence, on which the three evangelists are supposed to have stood when they preached the Gospel there nineteen hundred years ago.

I was, of course, anxious to visit the Jewish Ghetto because Acts 18:10 says that as soon as Paul and Silas reached Berea they "went into the synagogue".

About one hundred feet from the entrance of the Ghetto, where a narrow, winding passage-way begins, I was shown a very old spring. It is not un-

reasonable to suppose that Paul may have often quenched his thirst at this place.

Next, we walked through a dark, dismal cobblestone street which wound its way between dirty huts and shacks, to an open space above a deep ravine where the Jewish synagogue stands.

I made careful inquiry and discovered that in all the history of Berea there has been only one Ghetto and one synagogue. I knew, therefore, that I was standing on the very spot where the three faithful New Testament evangelists had stood.

I stepped into the synagogue with the firm conviction that Paul had preached at that place!

The building has been remodeled from time to time, through the centuries, but the site remains the same.

Standing there that day, I thought of the great family of Defender Readers back in the United States, and wished that everyone might see what I was seeing, and feel the thrill which at that time came to my soul. This being impossible, the only thing I could do was bring back a photograph of the famous place of Jewish worship where the great Apostle preached—

THE THEREFORE, A PICTURE OF THE SYNAGOGUE OF BEREAS IS BEING REPRODUCED ON THIS PAGE OF THE DEFENDER.

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Greece is practically without the Gospel today!

The idolatrous Greek Orthodox Church is certainly not entitled to the name Christian—in the sense that we think of New Testament Christianity.

Rev. A. Velonis, of Salonika, has charge of the Greek missionary work of the Defenders Movement. Few parts of the world offer a greater challenge than this part of southern Europe.

In his regular tours of evangelism, Mr. Velonis often visits Berea.

He is doing a noble work. Heaven will be richer because of his missionary ministry. The only means of financial support which this work enjoys, consists of voluntary contributions sent to the Wichita Headquarters by the readers of this Department of The Defender Magazine. *Pray and give!* This testimony is deserving of your fullest support.

The Yaqui Work

THE Yaqui Indians of Arizona are hearing the Gospel regularly through the faithful ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Leonardo Mercado.

This needed testimony is made possible by the gifts of Defender Readers to the Indian missionary fund.

"Never a week goes by but our evangelistic message continues to

spread among these backward people", writes Mr. Mercado.

"Yesterday, one of our native converts gave a wonderful personal testimony before a crowd of 200 assembled in the cemetery . . . We are dedicating the rebuilt Defender Chapel this coming week and will send you pictures of the humble structure very soon . . . I want to emphasize again that work with the Yaquis goes slow as compared, for instance, with that among Mexicans or Puerto Ricans. But we are patiently striving to take advantage of every op-

portunity to make Christ known. Our greatest hope is in the children; we find it easy to hold their interest in Bible study."

Solomon said: "HE THAT WINNETH SOULS IS WISE". Let Christians also remember that only the gold that is coined into the salvation of lost souls can enter the Kingdom of heaven!

Our Lord is being glorified by the trophies of Grace which are resulting from the missionary labors of the Defenders Movement among these poor, benighted Indians.

Happy Hearts In Puerto Rico

"THE clothing which you are sending to us is making hearts and homes happy", writes Superintendent J. F. Rodriguez, who has charge of the missionary work of the Defenders Movement in the West Indies.

The following items have been shipped from Wichita Headquarters during the last three months: 410 women's dresses, 63 girl's dresses, 14 women's coats, 31 pair of ladies' hose, 20 sweatshirts, 398 shoes, 47 hats, 43 men's trousers, 38 boy's trousers, 35 coats, 16 vests, 56 shirts, 63 suits of underwear for men and boys, 20 towels, 55 yards of dress goods, 151 miscellaneous articles, and 5 Bibles.

Dr. Rodriguez continues: "The distribution of garments not only helps our missionary work by enabling us to perform a loving ministry among the people, but it brings untold blessing to those in poverty and want. Let us keep this great service going.

"I wish all Defender Readers could see the happy expressions on the faces of those who receive these gifts."

Remember, there are thousands of men, women and children in Puerto Rico today without shoes on their feet or proper clothing to cover their bodies.

Dr. Rodriguez is proving that helping the poor and preaching the Gospel, go hand in hand. He says the hearts of

those who receive clothing, open quickly to the message of redeeming love.

Present plans call for one more shipment to the Island before Christmas. About November 20th, another quantity of wearing apparel and TOYS will be sent. Let many Defender Readers forward their packages to Wichita to be included in these boxes.

It is hoped that sufficient toys, with the clothing, will be received to make it possible for the missionaries to have large Christmas trees in the three Defenders Tabernacles of the Island.

Although the sending of clothing involves an important phase of this missionary enterprise, yet it should be remembered that a large check must be mailed to Dr. Rodriguez the first day of every month if the printing and publishing work, the radio programs, the Bible School, the Colportage service, the three Tabernacles, the many Open Air preaching points, and the several other branches of the undertaking ARE TO CONTINUE.

Above everything else, let the Defender Family bear these needs to God in prayer!

A great many \$10.00 and \$5.00 gifts—also \$1.00 and \$2.00 amounts, will be needed during the month of November.

One hundred cents of every dollar invested in this Cause goes directly to the Field.

Cuba's Call

By Rev. Arthur Pain, Havana, Cuba.

WHEN thinking of Cuba which is truly the "back door neighbor" of the United States some perhaps will wonder "Why go there?" The Island lies only 90 miles south of our most southern city. Jesus said, "Love thy neighbor as thyself."

Cuba has a population of four million, a large percentage of which have never attended a Gospel service and knows nothing of the plan of salvation.

Many do not even so much as know that the Bible exists. Some have even asked if it were some new style of dress or the name of some new automobile! A little girl, 13 years of age, writing to us through the radio work said we could send her Bible either by express or freight. She had no idea of its size.

Cuba is truly the land of "benighted souls", witchcraft, Brujos, spiritualism etc.

The Brujos believe that to eat the live heart of a child and to drink its blood will ward off evil spirits and heal diseases. On several occasions the Brujos have tried to get our children. One night while we were sleeping they threw something like chloroform on us, and only a miracle saved our precious little girl.

For over two years a group of young men, Alejandro Marquez as leader, followed us in our tent evangelism from place to place, doing everything possible to destroy our work.

On one occasion 18 ruffians came armed with the intention of killing me. They fired one shot which just missed

the top of my head. On another occasion they came with the express purpose of killing our little daughter, Doris. They set the tent on fire several times, and threw broken bottles and stones at us dozens of times.

Finally one night, the climax came when the leader, Alejandro Marquez, secretary of the young Communists of Havana, came with the same group to destroy and burn everything and put an end to us. When he raised his hand to throw a bomb at me, he fell over as dead.

We sang "Power in the Blood" and asked how many believed it. We prayed and asked God to deliver him from Satan and to save his soul. Within a few minutes he regained consciousness and asked to address the audience, a request which we at once granted.

He begged his comrades not to continue in their plan, that he now KNEW there was a God and that He was ALL POWERFUL. We dealt with him concerning matters pertaining to salvation, and gave him a New Testament. He was thoroughly convinced that night but was not converted. The following night as he entered the tent he began weeping and pleading with God to forgive him for his awful sinful life.

He finally testified that night before an audience of over 500, which included the police captain of his precinct, eight police on duty and several soldiers, telling all about the many things he had previously done against us and the work. Praise God, the Holy Spirit still transforms lives! Alejandro now works just as hard and as fearlessly for Christ as he once did against Him.

I would like to say that Mrs. Pain and I appreciate more than words can tell, the interest which the Defenders Movement has taken in our efforts for the Lord and Master.

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(Note: Missionary offerings designated for Cuba, will be forwarded to Rev. and Mrs. Pain. Address your gift in care of The Defender. The Pains are true Christian warriors. Pray for them.)

Responsibility

THE Defenders Movement is responsible for missionary work in Greece, West Africa, Cuba, Puerto Rico and among the Yaqui and Navajo Indians.

When sending offerings, be careful to designate for which branch your gift is intended.

The annual missionary report of the Movement will appear in these columns next month. It will show that every cent of every missionary dollar given during the year, has gone directly to the workers in the fields.

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